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WEATHER

Cloudy tonight and Thursday; chance of snow Thursday.

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Midnight Will Trigger Double Celebration

By ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Traditional New Year's Eve festivities will have an added touch tonight as Americans open 1976 with red, white and blue flourishes to observe their nation's 200th birthday.

For the traditionalists, band leader Guy Lombardo will con-

duct another chorus of "Auld Lang Syne" at New York's Waldorf Astoria ballroom — his 10th program there in nearly a half-century of New Year's Eve parties — at precisely midnight.

For others, one of the major events will be in Philadelphia, where the National Park Service

will move the Liberty Bell under heavy guard from Independence Hall to an exhibition hall being built to accommodate the crowds of tourists expected during 1976.

Moving the 2,000-pound bell, bought by the people of Pennsylvania at a cost of \$303, a dis-

talce of one block will cost about \$104,000. The Park Service said the chief expense is security for the symbol of the nation's freedom.

"If it doesn't rain and it doesn't snow, we'll have in excess of 50,000 people here," said Douglas Warnock of the Park Service.

Parties are planned for New Year's Eve revelers who will view the move, including a formal dance at the U.S. Mint and a black-tie party at a local tavern.

The traditional lighted ball will drop from the tower in New York's Times Square at exactly midnight. At the same time, a 50-foot Bicentennial banner will be unfurled and hundreds of red, white and blue balloons will be released.

In the Rockies, 35 members of the Adaman Club of Colorado Springs will begin setting off more than half a ton of fireworks from the 14,110-foot summit of Pike's Peak. Officials expect the display to be visible for 100 miles. At the same time, they will hoist the flags of Colorado and the state's centennial flag over the mountain, marking the start of the nation's Bicentennial and the state's centennial.

The community of Red River, N.M., plans to celebrate the arrival of 1976 by raising its Bicentennial flag at one minute after midnight — at the summit of a 10,200-foot mountain. After the unfurling, officials plan to ski down the mountain carrying the banner.

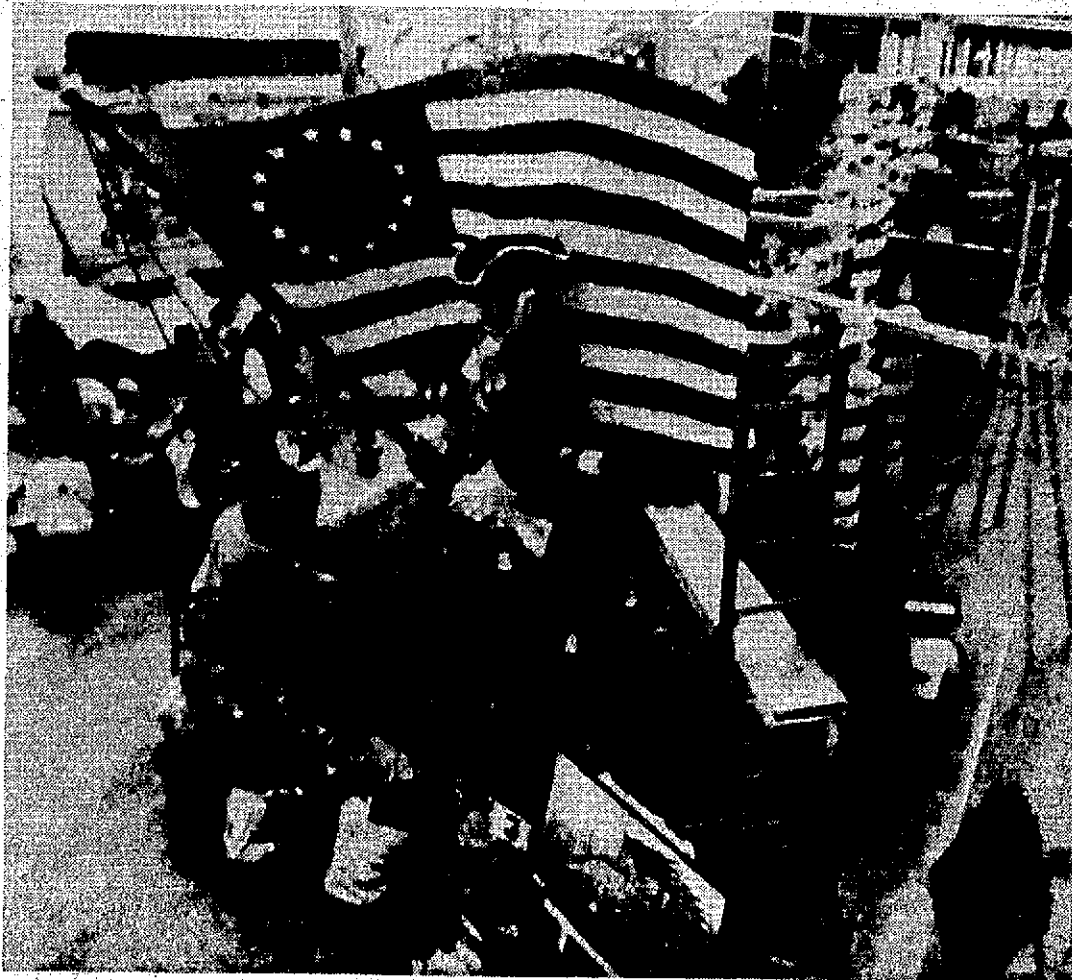
Despite the planning, weather may force some changes. Today's forecast called for snow spreading from the Rockies into the northwestern Plains and rain, snow and freezing rain moving into New England. Showers and thundershowers were expected along the south Atlantic and eastern Gulf coasts. But rising temperatures were forecast from the middle Mississippi Valley into the southern Plains and over New England.

While most people will be spending the evening with friends or relatives or at parties, much of Fort Lauderdale's police force will be waiting for the annual riot.

For the past several years in the Florida city, young revelers, many of whom police said were celebrating with too much alcohol, have gathered along a store-lined, beach-front road. The celebrations recently have turned to vandalism.

Last year, according to police, a crowd of about 1,500 young persons battled riot-equipped officers.

"Nobody wants to stop anybody from having a good time," said a police officer. (See back page, sec. 1, col. 5)



BICENTENNIAL THEME IN ROSE PARADE: Workers place some of thousands of flowers on the city of Glendale, California's float in the annual New Year's Day Tournament of Roses parade in Pasadena.

The flag-carrier is done in cornflowers, gladioli, dock weed and onion seed. Theme of the parade, in its 87th year, is "America, Let's Celebrate." (AP Wirephoto)

1976 BRINGING 366 DAYS

A Lot To Look Forward To

The cork pops tonight on 1976, and what a 366 days it should be! It's Leap Year, Election Year and Bicentennial Year — all at the same time. There are hopes for an upturn in the economy, peace at home and abroad.

But much of what 1976 will be already has been shaped by 1975. The old year had its trivia, prophets of doom, violence and scandals, but it's still in good enough shape to reach the finish line tonight.

This New Year's edition of The Herald-Palladium records what

happened in southwestern Michigan in 1975. We didn't make international headlines, but people of southwestern Michigan were in the news every day — making progress, experiencing adversity and just plugging along.

Today's edition is filled with pictures and stories on Old 1975. There were many events you'll recall instantly and some that may surprise you.

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Today's annual New Year's edition tells the story in highlight form of Southwestern Michigan during 1975. All major developments will be covered concerning the people and places that made news throughout Berrien, Van Buren, Cass and Allegan counties.

Financial Disclosure Law Under Cloud Of Uncertainty

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A cloud of controversy surrounds Michigan's new political ethics law as the year ends, with Gov. William Milliken's legal staff unsure whether some 25,000 elected and appointed officials must reveal their 1975 financial holdings.

A part of the ethics law calling for financial disclosures was to have gone into effect with the New Year, but a temporary restraining order issued Dec. 19 by an Ingham County Circuit Court judge prohibits state officials from implementing the new law until further court action.

State Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley

was ordered to file briefs on the case next month, with state Supreme Court hearings scheduled in March to review the action.

Plaintiffs in the case, which include close to a dozen individuals and organizations, claim portions of the law are unconstitutional.

Had the disclosure portion of the law gone into effect at midnight tonight as originally planned, it was feared many of the 25,000 officials might resign rather than open their books.

"It is not clear whether the first filing will be required in 1976 (for calendar year 1975) or

in 1977 (for calendar year 1976)," said a summary of the law's implications prepared by the governor's legal staff.

The summary was part a package of information sent Tuesday to close to 2,000 Milliken appointees, a governor's aide said.

The summary lists those persons who must file financial interest statements:

Elected state officials; judges; members of boards or commissions provided in the state constitutions; members of boards or commissions that examine or license a business trade or profession, determine

rates for or otherwise regulate a business, or appoint a director of a principal state department.

Also many unclassified state employees; appointed members of a state college or university governing board; elected and appointed members of boards governing community or junior colleges, and members of state authorities.

The office-holders must list business interests of themselves and their immediate families, debts, debts owed the officeholder, real estate, and gifts over \$100.

No dollar figures must be revealed except the amount of debts, the summary said.



BETH ANN GOES HOME: Beth Ann Cameron, 8, waves as she leaves Yale-New Haven Medical Center in New Haven, Conn., Tuesday in the arms of her uncle, Thomas Massey Jr. She will live in the Massey's home in East Haven, Conn. Beth Ann is the sole survivor of a truck crash in Vermont Dec. 8 which took the lives of her mother, father, and three sisters. She suffered fractures of both arms, legs, and pelvis in the crash which wiped out her family. President Gerald Ford sent her a Christmas present of doll and bracelet. (AP Wirephoto)

LaGuardia Reopens; Newcomers Skittish

NEW YORK (AP) — La Guardia Airport, scene of an explosion that killed 11 persons and injured some 75 others, is open again, but the first passengers to arrive there were

nervous about a recurrence. The first arrival was an American Airlines flight from Dallas, which landed at 10:10 p.m. Tuesday night with 90 passengers aboard. More than a

dozen flights landed within an hour, and many of the 1,400 passengers who arrived during that hour grabbed their luggage and rushed away.

"I want my bags, I want to get out," said Levada June, a singer. "I'm scared stiff. I'm terrified."

The nation's scheduled airlines offered a \$50,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the explosion.

Meanwhile, hundreds of FBI agents joined the search for the persons responsible for the "25-stick" dynamite bomb blast that left the Trans World Airlines luggage claim area a mass of rubble.

The FBI men, along with New York City police officers and firemen, spent the day reconstructing the scene and interviewing persons who may have been near when the bomb went off.

There was no indication authorities had any leads as to who may have been responsible, and they appeared to discount the numerous calls received after the blast claiming that a wide range of extremist or crime groups was responsible.

"I personally don't place too much faith in these calls," said

(See back page, sec. 1, col. 5)



SEARCHING FOR CLUES: Unidentified FBI agent knocks plaster down from second-floor ceiling of Trans World Airlines terminal Tuesday while searching for clues in Monday night's La Guardia airport bomb blast. Bomb exploded in baggage area of terminal without warning and reduced the area to rubble. Eleven died. (AP Wirephoto)

Reserve your News Year Eve table at Blossomlanes. Open bowling to public New Years Eve till 3:30 a.m. Adv.

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Notice

The Herald-Palladium will not publish tomorrow, New Year's Day.

Berrien Joblessness, Worker Numbers Dip

Employment and unemployment both decreased in Berrien county in November to give the county its second lowest unemployment rate of the year. The decreases were accompanied by a drop in the labor force.

Berrien's unemployment rate last month was 14.1 per cent, the same rate as August, according to the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC). The lowest rate was January's 13.2 per cent.

While the number of unemployed dropped to 11,300 from October's 11,700 (which was 13.1 per cent), employment also declined from October's 65,800 to 65,100 in November, the MESC reported.

The total number of people in the civilian labor force stood at 76,400 in November, compared to October's 77,500. The MESC noted the drop resumed a succession of decreases that has occurred each month since July, except for a gain in October.

The November jobless rate has increased 59 per cent above the

4,600 total of November, 1974, when the rate was 8.7 per cent. The last two months of 1974 were the worst for that year with unemployment rates hitting 9.2 per cent in November and 11.9 per cent in December.

Seasonal drops in the construction industry and scattered losses in various industries, principally metal industries and printing and publishing, accounted for most of the drop in employment, the MESC said. Gains were noted in service and non-electrical

machinery segments of the employment picture.

A breakdown of some of the unemployment figures in the county include (municipality, followed by number of unemployed and unemployment rate):

City of Benton Harbor, 2,116, 27.6 per cent; Benton township, 1,296, 15.6; Niles township, 1,058, 15.8; City of Niles, 820, 13.1; Lincoln township, 625, 12; City of St. Joseph, 622, 11.2; and St. Joseph township, 530, 11.3.

Benton To Withdraw From Ambulance Unit

The Benton township board of trustees last night voted unanimously to withdraw from the Community Emergency Service Corp., formed early this year to provide subsidized ambulance service to the Twin Cities area.

The vote was unanimous at a special meeting, called to con-

form with by-laws of the corporation. The by-laws require notices of withdrawal to be received at least six months before the end of a fiscal year, reported Catheryn Sirk, township clerk and township representative to the corporation.

The fiscal year ends next June

30, so the notice had to be adopted by the board of trustees by the end of this year, Mrs. Sirk said.

Mrs. Sirk told the board that Benton will still be a member of the corporation until next June 30, although notice of withdrawal was adopted last night. No ambulance service

has yet been started with corporation subsidy.

Township Atty. Thomas Robinson Jr., said he doesn't know if the township would be liable for any debts or other obligations of the corporation that might occur between now and next June 30. Asked by a trustee if the township would take legal action if the corporation should obligate Benton, Robinson said, "I think that would have to be our position."

Mrs. Sirk said she doubts the corporation's board would try to force participation on any member after receiving the withdrawal notice.

Voting to withdraw were, Supervisor Martin Lane, Clerk Sirk, Treasurer Joseph Postell, and Trustees Chester Jollay Jr., Walter Slowik and Ken Malkin. Trustee Margaret Crisnal was absent.

While withdrawing from the corporation, the township board agreed unofficially that it would work toward a countywide ambulance service, should the Berrien board of commissioners ever decide to go in that direction. The Berrien board so far has not moved that way.

The Community Emergency Service Corp. was initially formed to oversee ambulance service in the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph and townships of Benton, St. Joseph, Lincoln, Royalton, and Sodus.

Cost of the service was estimated at \$53,000 a year. The cost would be paid by member government units, according to population. Benton's share was the largest: \$15,000, or nearly 25 per cent of the total.

Benton last November voted to pay its share, but reversed that decision earlier this month.

The township's change came when it decided it would be better to have a public agency run ambulances than to subsidize a private ambulance firm. The corporation has decided to work with Action Ambulance, but no contract has been acted on by its members, Mrs. Sirk said.

Mrs. Sirk said the corporation has agreed to study during the coming year prospects of a public agency - operated ambulance service, but has not decided on any specific agency to run the service, or the geographical area it would serve.



BYRNS SPEAKS TO KIWANIS: Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrns (right) gestures to friend as he shakes hand of Dennis Tuttle, president of Benton Harbor Kiwanis, while Norbert Kent, president of St.

Joseph Kiwanis, looks on. Byrns spoke Tuesday at joint luncheon meeting of two Kiwanis clubs. (Staff photo)

Byrns Forecasts Lively Stockman-Hutchinson Race

By STEVE SAGER
Staff Writer

President Ford will win in 1976 and a David Stockman vs. incumbent Edward Hutchinson race for U.S. congressman could be "the most exciting thing in years" at the state level.

Those were two of the predictions Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrns made Tuesday in a speech at a joint luncheon meeting of the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph Kiwanis clubs Tuesday at the St. Joseph Elks club.

Byrns commented during his "fate of the union" address about the past year and then speculated about what 1976 would bring. He covered economics, foreign policy, national and state-level politics.

Guards Accused

BIRMINGHAM, England (AP) — Fourteen prison officers have been charged with beating up six Irish Republican Army terrorists who planted bombs that killed 21 persons and injured 120 in two Birmingham bars.

Byrns predicted that President Ford, with a middle-of-the-road position that tilted to the right, would win the Republican nomination in 1976. He added that Edward Kennedy will get the Democratic nomination on a draft.

Byrns said both candidates would go for vice presidential running mates from the south. He predicted Ford, barring any "serious" problems facing the nation at the time of the election, would be elected president.

On the state level Byrns said there could be two important political elections in 1976. The first being the election of a replacement for U.S. Sen. Philip Hart (D-Mich.). The other "important" contest could be a Stockman vs. Hutchinson race.

Stockman, a Berrien county native and Lakeshore high school alumnus, has not officially declared for Hutchinson's seat, but has given every indication he will run.

Byrns ran unsuccessfully against Hutchinson for the congressional seat in 1962.

Other predictions and insights by Byrns were:

—The U.S. will lose Angola.

—Food will be our strongest diplomatic weapon.

—The American people in 1976 will be more conservative than anytime since Roosevelt's New Deal.

—In 1976 an international agreement will be reached between nations to stop terrorism.

—Confidence in the economy will continue by the American people.

Cruelty Charges Against Hagar Man Dismissed

Berrien Fifth District Court Judge John T. Hammond has dismissed child cruelty charges against a Hagar township man under a precedent established by the Michigan Supreme Court in 1964.

Dismissed were charges against Dan Lee Beilman, 25, of 5935 Huron street, Hagar township. Beilman had been charged with failing to provide proper medical care to April Bearden — the daughter of his present wife — last spring when the child was seven months old.

Hammond said the prosecution's case against Beilman was similar to that of a Kent county man whose conviction on child cruelty charges was overturned by the state supreme court in 1964.

In that case, Hammond said, the supreme court ruled that parents are obligated to provide food, shelter and clothing to their children, but that "medical attention" is not mentioned in the applicable laws.

Hammond said the Kent county case involved a man whose three-year-old daughter died after she was deprived of medical attention.

Hammond had bound Beilman over to Circuit court for trial on the child cruelty charge following a preliminary examination last June, but the case was sent back to District court because Beilman's attorney argued that it was similar to the Kent county case.

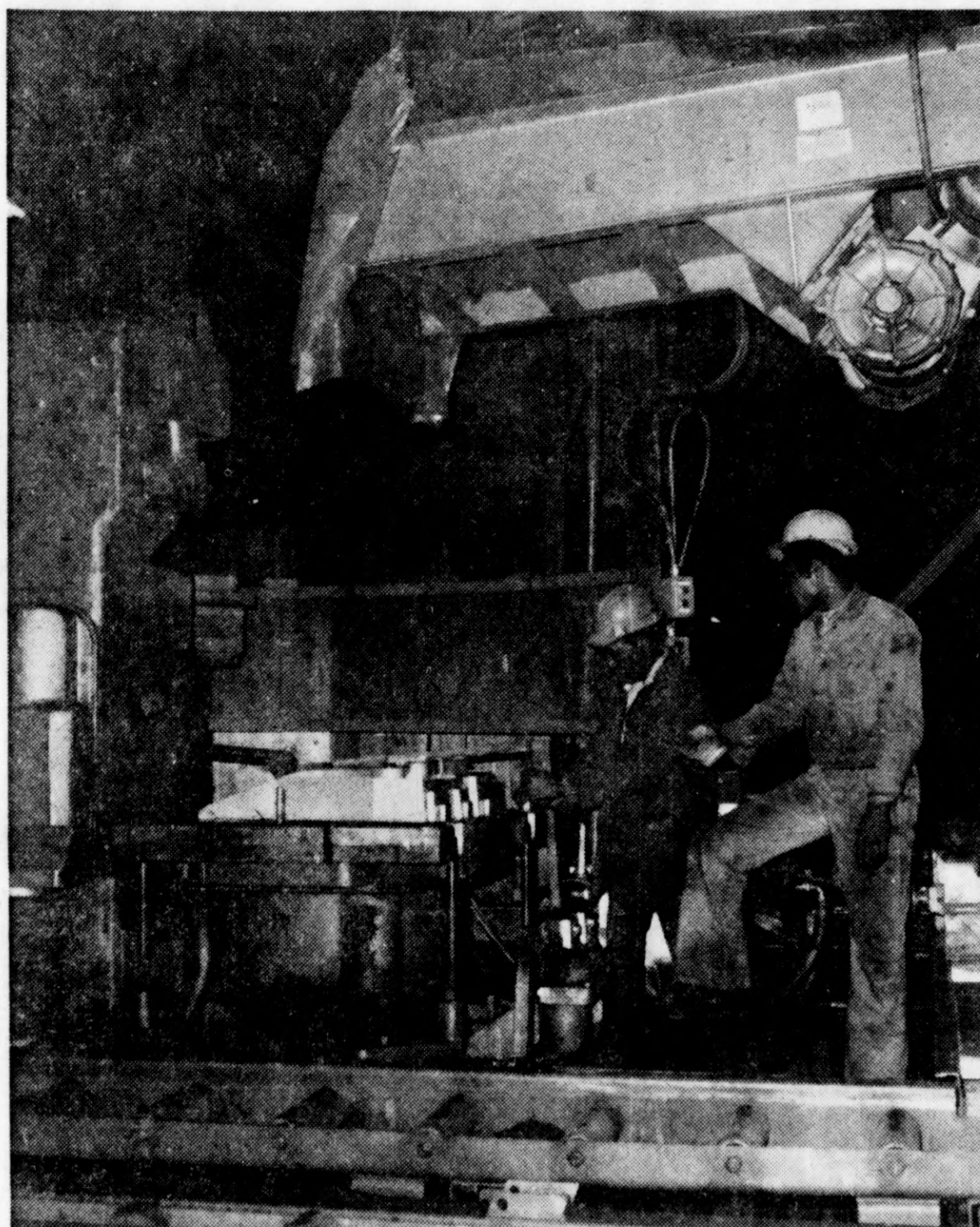
Testimony at the preliminary hearing showed that April Bearden twice had been taken to the Mercy hospital emergency room for treatment of a head injury and later received surgery at Borgess hospital in Kalamazoo to remove a blood clot inside the skull.

Testimony also showed a lapse of two days between the emergency room calls despite development of symptoms Beilman had been told to watch for, and that the child was in "critical" condition by the time she was taken to Mercy for the second time.

Assistant prosecutor Sally Zack said April, now 16 months old, will remain in custody of foster parents until child neglect hearings currently underway in Probate court are concluded.

Miss Zack said the civil neglect proceedings are separate from the criminal charges. She said the neglect hearing has been in adjournment since September, when the Beilmans' two-month-old son Dustin died in Mercy hospital from a ruptured stomach.

Miss Zack said the Berrien prosecutor's office is aware of no investigation in connection with the death of Dustin Beilman.



NEW AT SUPERIOR STEEL: Employees work on one of new molding systems installed this year at Superior Steel, Benton Harbor. Systems were part of \$2.3 million improvement program at plant. City of Benton Harbor issued \$1 million industrial revenue bond to help finance project. (Staff photo)

Hospital Employees Pledge \$50,617

WATERVLIET — Employees at Community hospital, Watervliet, have pledged a total of \$50,617 toward construction of a 70-bed, \$5.2 million replacement facility.

John R. Hunt, chief X-ray technician and head of the employees' campaign drive

committee, said that as of today 127 hospital employees had exceeded their goal of \$40,000 by over 25 per cent.

The total pledges averaged nearly \$400 per contributing employee, said Hunt. Seventeen employees, including nurses and administrative personnel,

pledged over \$1,000 apiece.

Hunt said he believed the pledges may have broken a record for contributions from employee groups.

The personnel group is the first to reach its target in the hospital fund drive seeking \$750,000 in voluntary subscriptions to help finance construction of the replacement facility which will be located south of Watervliet high school.

The campaign has been named REACH, acronym for Renewal-Expansion Appeal for Community Hospital.

Richard Lindenberg, president of the hospital's board of trustees, and Howard Parker, hospital administrator, issued a joint statement today saying, "We want to thank our dedicated group of co-workers for their outstanding support toward this project. The board is grateful and appreciative for this magnificent accomplishment."

The hospital employs 160 people of which 30 are part-time employees, according to hospital officials.



SLAYING SCENE: This is the home of Francis J. Pierce and his wife, Diane, who were found slain Monday. The house is located on Duck Lake in Calhoun county, Mich. A 15-year-old Clarence township youth has been charged with the slaying that is believed to have taken place Friday night. (AP Wirephoto)

Mattress Fire

Benton township firemen said a child playing with matches appeared to be the cause of a fire Tuesday in a mattress at the mobile home of Karen Reeves, 1200 East Empire avenue. Fire, confined to the mattress, was reported shortly after 9 a.m. No one was injured.

Charge Says Woman Intended To Murder

A St. Joseph township woman was arrested Tuesday by township police on a warrant charging assault with intent to murder two township police officers Monday.

Officers Kevin Kramp and Gregory Duerr said a woman pointed a handgun at them and pulled the trigger three times, but the gun was empty and did not fire. The incident occurred Monday about 6 p.m. at a St. Joseph township home where officers responded to a report of shots being fired. Police did not fire any shots in the incident.

Booked at the Berrien county jail was Mrs. Betty L. Seymour, 47, of 709 Grant avenue. Police said she was admitted to Riverwood Community Mental Health clinic after the incident, but was released Tuesday morning. She was arrested at her home about 5 p.m., police indicated.

Police reported finding seven suspected bullet holes in the kitchen and garage of the Grant avenue home and a .22 caliber revolver was confiscated Monday.

Sex Assault Was Not Part Of Earlier Case

SOUTH HAVEN — A statement in the Dec. 24 edition of this newspaper that Roger Sparks of South Haven served a six month sentence in Van Buren county jail for sexually assaulting a woman and later attacking her with a knife was incorrect.

The Van Buren prosecutor's office said yesterday that Sparks was sentenced to six months in the county jail for aggravated assault after pleading guilty to an April incident in which a woman was cut twice during an argument with a man. Sexual assault was not involved and it was not determined if the wounds were caused by a knife, according to Assistant Van Buren County Prosecutor Steve Hamlin.

Sparks is awaiting trial in Allegan county in connection with the Dec. 23 death of a South Haven woman, Deborah Knapp, whose body was found along a Saugatuck township road.

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EDITORIAL PAGE

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Were it left to me to decide whether we should have government without newspapers or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate to prefer the latter. — Thomas Jefferson.

The New And The Old As The Poets See Them

The poets sing of the seasons cheerfully, for the most part. They write of Spring in gay and hopeful mood. Winter they find cold but invigorating. Summer's sun does not intimidate them, and Autumn inspires in them a pleasant melancholy. But only a few have seen anything happy about the New Year, while for the dying Old Year they chant naught but mournful dirges.

Shelley wept:

Orphan hours, the year is dead,
Come and sigh, come and weep!
And Tennyson commanded:
Toll ye the church bell sad and slow,
And tread softly and speak low,
For the old year lies a-dying.

Timothy Cole was merely thankful that things had not been worse. With an almost audible sigh he wrote:

Full happy is the man who comes at last
Into the safe completion of his year.

Slightly more cheerful were the bards when they turned to the new year. "This year is dying in the night; ring out, wild bells, and let him die."

Tennyson recommended, but for him the departure was wholesome: "Ring out the false, ring in the true." Tennyson's wild bells would:

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The largest heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

For Dickens, "The New Year, like an infant heir to the whole world, was waited for, with welcomes, presents and rejoicings."

Probably Horatio Nelson Powers came nearest to the traditional concept of the new year. With lyric grace he wrote reassuringly:

A wondrous fountain yet unsealed;
A casket with its gifts concealed—
This is the Year that for you waits
Beyond tomorrow's mystic gates.

Most of us face each new year with hope undiminished by disappointing experience. For it is faith which sustains us through the vicissitudes of life, the faith that "beyond tomorrow's mystic gates" there lie happier days. And so they do!

Congressmen Deserve Credit For MIA Action

From a practical standpoint, there is little chance that any of the 1,300 American servicemen listed as missing in action during the Vietnam War ever will return home alive. But as long as there is any chance at all, or until nearly all of those 1,300 have been accounted for, their families will ponder their fate, and hope and try to find more information in whatever way they can.

That some progress in this direction is possible has been proven by the four congressmen, under the leadership of Rep. G. V. Montgomery of Mississippi, who went to Hanoi on their own initiative to seek answers. They brought home with them the bodies of three servicemen, two of whom were listed officially as missing in action.

More promising to the rest of the

1,300 MIA families was the report from the congressmen that they found North Vietnamese officials cooperative and willing to help — the first time such an attitude had been shown on the MIA question. But — and it could be a major stumbling block — the North Vietnamese also mentioned reconstruction aid from the United States.

Just what they have in mind and how closely the aid request is tied to future cooperative efforts on the MIA quest is not yet clear. At least the congressmen deserve credit for getting results where none were forthcoming before.

The road to the end of the MIA search remains a long one, but the opening achieved by Montgomery and his colleagues should be pursued thoroughly.

Jog In Place A Little Before Shoveling Snow

Considering that much of the nation already has experienced a seasonal workout on snow shovels, advice on how to handle the white stuff is timely. From Professor Paul Lessack, director of cardiac prevention and rehabili-

tation at Rutgers University Medical School, comes advice which ought to cover a large segment of the population.

If you are over 40, out of shape or not physically active, leave the shovel inside. Before venturing outside in the cold at all, says Lessack, it is a good idea to get the heart muscle working a little faster by jogging in place or doing a few calisthenics.

But if you must shovel snow, treat the job with respect. It is not a challenge to see how fast walkways can be cleaned.

"Don't try to knock yourself out," Lessack cautions. "Take frequent rests from shoveling and don't try to carry big piles of snow a long distance."

In addition to his cardiac specialty, Lessack also is "human performance coach" for a professional football team. He knows a good bit about physical conditioning and he isn't impressed with what he sees. By his physical standards, only about 20 percent of the professional athletes in the United States measure up.

As for the general, middle-aged population — Lessack estimates only about 4 percent are physically fit. Meaning a large number of people who shovel snow should proceed with extreme caution.

Confinement Needed

During recesses, most legislative bodies should be kept in to catch up on their unfinished business.

All Ready For The Big Party!



EDITOR'S MAILBAG

WRITER PROTESTS SOME AUCTION ITEMS

Editor,
This letter is written in regards to the legal notice on page 29 and 30 of Dec. 26 edition of this newspaper.

For those who did not happen to read it, this was a notice of a public auction of stolen properties in possession of the Allegan County Sheriff's department, to be held at the Allegan County fairgrounds at 10 a.m. Dec. 30th.

There were approximately 375 listed items, of which approximately 285 were of a common nature and could be sold to anyone.

However, of the approximately 90 other articles, 76 were of a nature that should not be sold to just anyone. These consisted of numerous knives, several jack handles, crowbars, long bladed screw drivers, high-powered rifle shells, shotgun shells, 38 cal. shells, 22 cal. shells etc.

This leaves 14 items listed for sale to the public (anyone). These I am sure any normal individual would determine to be potential dangerous weapons. They are as follows: 2 switchblades, 1 hand-made weapon of blue steel, 30 inches long, one very large knife, 2 throwing daggers, 1 stick with razor-blade attached, 1 sabre knife, 1 mini-bull bat with spikes in the end, 1 handle with chain attached, 2 machetes, 1 wood handle whip and 1 12-inch knife with taped handle. Also listed were 2 shotguns, 1 purse containing fire crackers and 1 can containing loaded dice.

Certainly someone was in error by listing some of these articles for sale. I wonder, what if they had 4 or 5 World War II hand grenades, or a dozen sticks of dynamite, would they have been on the list?

I readily agree, that certain unclaimed property of value, in possession of any law enforcement agency, should be

sold at public auction, and the money used for a just cause. However, in the article, this viewpoint mentions, someone certainly boo-boed in offering for sale to the public many of the items listed. For the potential harm these items could do, in comparison to the petty cash they would sell for, it is plain stupid and ridiculous to return them to the streets.

Please note — this viewpoint is direct to an action taken by the Allegan County Sheriff's department. Not towards any of our local (Berrien County) agencies.

Let's hope they have the foresight not to commit themselves to the law-abiding public in this manner.

P.S. I regret the fact of being unable to attend this auction. The sale of these items to the public by a law enforcement agency I would have to see with my own eyes, to believe and even then when walking away, wonder how could it be?

Footnote:

To the people of Berrien County: An effort to contact by phone, State Rep. Harry Gast Jr., (R-43rd Dist.), was made approximately 9:30 a.m. Dec. 27. Was advised he was not in, however, my message would be relayed to him.

Mr. Gast phoned me on same date and assured that he would contact the state representative in the Allegan area and voice a strong protest against the sale of certain items on the list, and if possible, he would attend this auction personally and protest if necessary.

A. L. Straw
P.O. Box 88
Galen

EDITOR'S NOTE: Allegan County Sheriff Robert Whitcomb indicated before the auction that he was required to list all items but would, for example: Break the blades of switchblades before sale, remove the handle of the handle with chain attached, pull spikes from the bat with spikes, keep from sale the stick with razor blade and the firecrackers, etc.

Do You REMEMBER?

— 18 Years Ago —

Dramatic changes to the skyline of downtown Benton Harbor may start in 1986 with construction of a new public library and a high rise apartment building for senior citizens. Both buildings will be within a block of each other and could go up almost simultaneously. Some conglomerate confusion might result for motorists, with new streets being cut through the area around city hall at about the same time.

— 25 Years Ago —

On or about Feb. 13, 1951, St. Joseph's new Memorial hospital will be formally opened. When completed and fully equipped, the hospital will represent an investment of close to two million dollars, a large proportion of which was raised by local subscription. Erected by the Pearson Construction Co., the St. Joseph Memorial hospital was so designed and built that additional wings can be added in the future, as the need for additional facilities arises.

— 54 Years Ago —

The bankrupt Gurinink Candy company of St. Joseph has been taken over by the Michigan Milk company and will be converted into a milk evaporating plant, according to authoritative information received today.

In spite of many collegiate devices such as the horse laugh, and the sinister pointing of fingers at a so-called guarded man, the Kalamazoo college basketball reserve five last night lost decisively to the Benton Harbor high school men. Playing for Benton Harbor were Zick, Householder, Birkholm, Friedman, Puterbaugh and Hurst.

— 75 Years Ago —

The new Morton building on Territorial street, Benton Harbor, will soon be ready for the

Tom Tiede

New Look At The Assassination



WASHINGTON — Though it has been many years since the President was assassinated, rumors continue to circulate concerning the circumstances of the deed as well as whether true justice was accommodated at the time.

A widely loved leader, the President nonetheless had numerous enemies. And with the great divisions then existing in America, it has since been suspected that the murder may not have been the crime of mere pedestrian undertaking.

Indeed there is evidence that a conspiracy of grotesque proportions may have been ultimately responsible, the plotters possibly including ranking government officers or perhaps military and political luminaries of a radical government to the south.

It appears for one thing that the President himself was aware of some plot against his safety. Talking to associates on the day of the shooting, he is said to have registered his conviction that "there are men who want to take my life — and I have no doubt they will do so." More ominous than this is the recollection of one of his aides to the effect that when the chief executive left him that day it was with a firm "goodbye" rather than a less permanent salute.

And what of the fact, of which there can be no argument, that many government personalities that afternoon showed a unanimous reluctance to accompany the President on his public appearance.

As for the assassin himself, many still doubt his capacity — at least his unreinforced capacity — to organize a high execution. He was apparently a man pampered by women throughout his life, his existence filled with self doubts and few adventures.

Could a shallow coward plan the execution of the President of the United States? Many think not. What's more, the events

surrounding the assassin's death are fraught with unanswered questions that strike at the core of the controversy. He was shot dead, we've been told, but some say it was more than that. It has been suggested that he could not have been merely shot, as he was within the immediate control of the authorities.

And here is the primary substance of the skepticism: that the assassin was let go as part of a governmental conspiratorial plan. But who were the conspirators? Nobody yet knows, that's the damned part. It's been suggested the Vice President may have been the real power behind the bullet, or possibly it was a leading cabinet secretary who was known to covet greater power. There is also the possibility, allegedly suggested by none other than the President's wife, that members of the executive security force may have been in on the plot.

Unfortunately, the government did not at the time choose to investigate its own. A federally convened trial of the assassination failed to address itself at all to the possibility of a relationship between the President's men and the President's murder. Therefore the feeling survives that the real story is yet to be fully told.

Clearly, the time has come to set the record straight at last. Too many questions remain unexplored, too many contrary clues left barren. There has even been popular talk that the President's body was never placed in the plot provided it, that authorities worried too much about the possibility of it one day being thoroughly reexamined.

Nothing short of a congressional investigation will do, of whatever duration to get the task done. The approaching Bicentennial is almost reason enough to clear up Abraham Lincoln's death once and forever.

Marianne Means

How Democrat Race Shapes Up



WASHINGTON — How do the presidential candidates stand as the campaign year opens?

The first primary is less than two months away, and the Democratic candidates are still largely unknown quantities, even though some of them have been running for a year. Their efforts have been handicapped by massive public indifference and a perverse longing on the part of the professionals for the good old days, as personified by non-candidates with famous names, like Kennedy and Humphrey.

The Republican candidates have no such problem, and it is clear to any newspaper reader or television viewer that the President is going down and Gov. Ronald Reagan is going up.

So back to the Democrats. Herewith my New Year's Day estimate of how the party's candidates are doing:

Sen. Henry Jackson has been underestimated, because he has deliberately chosen a modest, low-key course of political activity the past year. But he is the best-financed and best-organized of the candidates, and those things count. He is also the only viable moderator-conservative in the sea of liberals, which provides him with a built-in constituency. He ought to make it to the convention.

Gov. George Wallace has been overestimated, because the panic he threw into the party in past years has never faded. He retains his grip on his faithful. But he has lost the fire to attract others; his health is not nearly as good as is generally believed. He should be at the convention but he won't be strong enough to cause mischief.

Sen. Birch Bayh, a late entry, has demonstrated the most organizational momentum. He has made the best showing so far among organized liberals and has sewn up labor in New Hampshire, which holds the first primary. He ought to make

it to the convention. Gov. Jimmy Carter has the most psychological momentum. He has successfully promoted a paste of favorable stories, which have lifted him from obscurity. He has concentrated on two states, Iowa and Florida, which most of the others have ignored, and ought to do well there. He has a shot at it.

Rep. Morris Udall has been a disappointment so far. He has bona-fide credentials as the liberal's liberal but lacks the excitement factor. He has done poorly in early liberal skirmishes and needs an issue or a miracle to make it.

Sen. Fred Harris has established himself as the radical of the field, with the accompanying advantages and disadvantages of that role. He has banked everything on an early victory in New Hampshire, and without it he's down the tube. His chances depend more on the public attitude toward radicals in this disenchanted, suspicious era, than on his own efforts.

Sargent Shriver has a list of fancy endorsements but little visible support among regular party workers or plain old voters. He has no built-in constituency and the Kennedy connection is turning out to be a bummer rather than an asset. He doesn't look good.

Probe Blast

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — Police say they are seeking two men for questioning in connection with a small bomb explosion Tuesday night below a building that houses a bank of America branch.

Authorities said no one was injured in the blast, which detonated at about 8 p.m., causing only minor damage to the bank but shattering many nearby apartment windows and knocking doors off hinges a half block away.

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Nutrition Program Serves 475 Meals Each Day



COMPLETES SECOND YEAR: The Berrien County Senior Citizens Nutrition Project, which is designed to provide inexpensive, nutritious meals to persons 60 years of age and older, is completing its

second year of operation. Ruth Brock, far left, is project director. At right is Eleanor M. Smith, site manager of the Harbor Towers location, Benton Harbor. (Staff photo)

Designed For Senior Citizens

By ANITA SMITH
Staff Writer

A senior citizens nutrition program which began at one site in Berrien county early in 1974 has expanded to eight locations in Berrien, two in Cass county and four in Van Buren county two years later.

The Berrien County Senior Citizens Nutrition Project is completing its second year of the National Nutrition Program for the Elderly authorized under Title VII of the Older Americans Act of 1965.

The program, designed to provide inexpensive, nutritious sound meals to older Americans, particularly those with low incomes, was introduced by the Berrien County Council on Aging and held at the First Baptist church, Benton Harbor, according to Ruth Brock, project director.

The program served its first meals Feb. 4, 1974, with a budget of \$81,445, providing 100 meals a day in Berrien county. The following October, the project began an expansion program that will continue into 1976.

Berrien County Council on Aging, Inc., a non-profit private organization, has been granted \$163,337 in federal funds and \$34,491 in state funds for Oct. 1, 1975, through Sept. 30, 1976, to provide 475 meals a day, five days a week, to persons 60 years of age and over. The hot meals program is designed for persons who do

not eat adequately because they cannot afford to do so; those who lack the knowledge and/or skills to select and prepare nourishing and well-balanced meals, and those with limited mobility which may impair their capacity to shop and cook for themselves.

It is designed also to remove any feelings of rejection and loneliness which might occur from preparing the meal and eating alone, according to Mrs. Brock.

Food for the noon meal is prepared at Bridgman high school food service department, according to Mrs. Brock, and transported to each meal site.

Meal site locations in Berrien county include Harbor Towers, Benton Harbor-Benton

Harbor-Benton Township Housing Commission, East Washington and Head Start building, Townline road, Benton Harbor; Central County Center, Berrien Springs; Harbert Community church; Gateway Plaza, Niles, and Bridgman high school. Beginning Jan. 5, a site located at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Coloma, will open.

Meals are served at Southwestern Michigan college continuing education center, Dowagiac, and Vandalia township hall in Cass county.

Sites located in Van Buren county include Van Buren United Civic Center, Covert, and Trinity Lutheran church,

Paw Paw. On Jan. 5, a program will begin at VFW Post No. 6248, Decatur. In the near future, a location in South Haven will be determined.

According to Mrs. Brock, interested individuals may apply for the nutrition program at the Berrien County Senior Citizens Nutrition Project office, 74 Wall street, Benton Harbor, or at any site location.

Community support is a vital factor in the success of the nutrition program, where volunteers are utilized as drivers, clerks and kitchen aids, Mrs. Brock said.

The program is administered by Mrs. Brock; Larry Green, office manager; Ellen Scarlett, nutritionist; 14 site managers; two drivers, and 54 volunteers.

Supportive services such as transportation, information and referral, outreach, counseling nutrition education, shopping assistance and recreation, are available at all the meal sites and at Senior information and Referral Service Centers.

Officers of the administering organization, the Berrien County Council on Aging, Inc., include David Sweet, president; George Finch, vice president; Marjorie Montgomery, treasurer, and Alice Gordon, secretary.

According to the project director, there are 9,000 such meals served in Michigan each day with a projected growth of 18,000 by the end of next year.

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Dates Correct On Whipping Cream

Holiday time is the time of year when even the most avid dieters "blow it" and live it up with goodies, such as cookies and desserts topped with whipped cream, according to Maryann Beckman, Food Marketing Agent.

When the dieters look at those cartons of whipping cream, though, they may get the surprise of their lives.

A number of dairies in Michigan are offering their customers the convenience and security of "ultra-pasteurization" — a process that extends freshness beyond the average six-day period for whipping cream and half and half. This

process extends the life from between 30 and 60 days. So when you read the date stamped into the gable tops of whipping cream or half and half cartons you may, at first glance, think there's an obvious error in the last recommended date of sale listed.

Ultra-pasteurization is a high-speed heat process that destroys the micro-organisms that cause spoilage in dairy products. In the three step process, the cream is sterilized; the cartons, which are lined with foil because of the high temperatures involved, are sterilized, and the two are then brought together and sealed

under sterile conditions.

Dairy products processed this way will remain sweet and uncontaminated for up to 90 days, but most dairies use a recommended last date of sale between 30 and 60 days beyond the actual date of packaging. It should be noted and clearly understood by consumers that the forward date applies only so long as the packages remain unopened.

Once the seal is broken, ultra-pasteurized whipping cream and half and half are as vulnerable to souring as conventionally processed products. However, the extended refrigerator life of the unopened

cartons allows families the convenience of buying ahead and assuring against the disappointment of running out of an important ingredient in mid-meal or mid-recipe. It also allows you to buy when products are on special, as they traditionally are at holiday time.

Some consumers have found that ultra-pasteurized whipping cream takes longer to whip than conventionally processed cream. Dairies recognize this difference and most include special directions for its use. They recommend thoroughly shaking before use and that the user attempt to whip no more than one-half pint at a time, using a chilled bowl and chilled beater blades.

If you can't use the total amount of whipping cream in the recommended time after it's opened, simply whip the remainder and freeze dollops of whipped cream for use on other desserts and beverages later. Freeze the spoonful of whipped cream on waxed paper lined cookie sheets until frozen and then package in plastic bags. Keep frozen for future use; use within two to eight weeks.

This new ultra-pasteurization process for whipping cream and half and half has already brought a lot of questions from consumers who can hardly believe their eyes when they see the much longer dates. Once they've tried the product and kept it unopened, they've been extremely pleased with the "rightness" of the date though. So the next time you buy whipping cream or half and half, look closely at the labels and try this new product.

European consumers have long been able to purchase sterilized whole milk, too, that can be stored without refrigeration.

American dairymen could market a shelf-stable product now that's similar to the European versions, but the slight "cooked" flavor makes it unacceptable to American consumers.

With modifications in this new ultra-pasteurization technique, better quality sterilized whole milk could soon be available in this country, too. If so, the changes in American dairy marketing will be dramatic. Keep watching labels closely.

Wedding Bells To Ring



VALERIE JONATZKE
Douglas Steffy



DARCI WEAVER
Ronald DeZwaan



DEBORAH BLUSCHKE
Ronald Liggett

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jonatzke, 714 Vine street, St. Joseph, announce the engagement of their daughter, Valerie Ann, to Douglas Edward Steffy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Steffy, 919 Michigan avenue, St. Joseph.

Miss Jonatzke is a senior at St. Joseph high school.

Her fiancé is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and is employed at Michigan Fruit Canners, Riverside distribution center.

No wedding date has been set.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell C. Weaver, 1127 Orchard avenue, St. Joseph, announce the engagement of their daughter, Darci Pelton, to Ronald Jay DeZwaan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. DeZwaan, Grand Rapids.

Miss Weaver is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and attended Lake Michigan college and Murray State university. She is a student at Grand Valley State colleges where she is majoring in law enforcement.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Godwin high school and Grand Rapids Junior college. He is employed by Thompson Electric Company, Grand Rapids.

A March 20 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bluschke, 903 Wayne street, St. Joseph, announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Sue, to Ronald J. Liggett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Liggett, 1558 West Shawnee road, Baroda.

Miss Bluschke is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and is employed by Farmers & Merchants National bank, Benton Harbor.

Her fiancé is a student at Lake Michigan college and is employed by Sear, Roebuck and Company, Benton Harbor.

An April wedding is planned.

Open House Saturday



MR. AND MRS. DAVID DOWNS

SOUTH HAVEN — Mr. and Mrs. David Downs, route 3, South Haven, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house Saturday, Jan. 3.

The event will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. in the lounge of Hartford Federated church, Hartford.

Hosting the celebration will be the couple's children, James Downs and Mrs. Espen (Juanita) McFall, South Haven, and Mrs. Valerie Vann and Mrs. Ronald (Dorothy) Smithley, both of Hartford.

The former Deverian Lamb of Batesville, Ark., and Downs were married Dec. 19, 1925, in Batesville.

They resided in the rural Watervliet-Coloma area for the past 32 years, until retiring, when they moved to South Haven. Downs was employed by the Watervliet Paper company and as a farmer.

The couple has 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

To Wed Jan. 16

SOUTH HAVEN — Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mezak, 269 North Shore drive, South Haven, announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Ann, to Paul Zwissler, son of Dr. and Mrs. Chester Zwissler of St. Joseph. Miss Mezak is a graduate of South Haven high school and attended Aquinas college, Grand Rapids. She is employed

at Sears & Roebuck, South Haven.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lake Michigan Catholic high school and Aquinas college. He is employed as a construction supervisor in Kenosha, Wis., by Edward Rose and Sons of Southfield.

A Jan. 16 wedding is planned.

Concert Series Set

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass. (AP) — The 17th and 18th century music concert series here will take place on the five weekends beginning June 26, through July 25, 1976.

This is two weeks longer than previous seasons and later in the summer. Concerts will be given at 6 p.m. on Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Larger halls than in the past

will be used and additional concerts during the week also will be scheduled.

Sponsor is the Aston Magna Foundation.

Book For Emergencies

It's so nice to have a man around the house.

However, he's not always there, and when he is he may not be mechanically inclined, good at taking stains out of the carpet, or know what to do when there is illness or injury in the family.

Author Ruth Winter offers her new book, "Don't Panic" as a

ready reference for man, woman or child. It helps to meet all types of emergency situations at home and while traveling telling what to do and what not to do for family members, pets, plants, automobile, appliances, plumbing and most of the major or minor catastrophes likely to occur in most people's lifetimes.

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Berrien Joblessness, Worker Numbers Dip

Employment and unemployment both decreased in Berrien county in November to give the county its second lowest unemployment rate of the year. The decreases were accompanied by a drop in the labor force.

Berrien's unemployment rate last month was 14.1 per cent, the same rate as August, according to the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC). The lowest rate was January's 13.2 per cent.

While the number of unemployed dropped to 11,300 from October's 11,700 (which was 15.1 per cent), employment also declined from October's 65,800 to 65,100 in November, the MESC reported. The total number of people in the civilian labor force stood at 76,400 in November, compared to October's 77,500. The MESC noted the drop resumed a succession of decreases that has occurred each month since July, except for a gain in October.

The November jobless rate has increased 59 per cent above the

4,600 total of November, 1974, when the rate was 8.7 per cent. The last two months of 1974 were the worst for that year with unemployment rates hitting 9.2 per cent in November and 11.9 per cent in December.

Seasonal drops in the construction industry and scattered losses in various industries, principally metal industries and printing and publishing, accounted for most of the drop in employment, the MESC said. Gains were noted in service and non-electrical

machinery segments of the employment picture.

A breakdown of some of the unemployment figures in the county include (municipality, followed by number of unemployed and unemployment rate):

City of Benton Harbor, 2,116, 27.6 per cent; Benton township, 1,296, 15.6; Niles township, 1,058, 15.8; City of Niles, 820, 13.1; Lincoln township, 625, 12; City of St. Joseph, 622, 11.2; and St. Joseph township, 530, 11.3.

Benton To Withdraw From Ambulance Unit

The Benton township board of trustees last night voted unanimously to withdraw from the Community Emergency Service Corp., formed early this year to provide subsidized ambulance service to the Twin Cities area.

The vote was unanimous at a special meeting, called to con-

form with by-laws of the corporation. The by-laws require notices of withdrawal to be received at least six months before the end of a fiscal year, reported Catheryn Sirk, township clerk and township representative to the corporation.

The fiscal year ends next June

30, so the notice had to be adopted by the board of trustees by the end of this year, Mrs. Sirk said.

Mrs. Sirk told the board that Benton will still be a member of the corporation until next June 30, although notice of withdrawal was adopted last night. No ambulance service

has yet been started with corporation subsidy.

Township Atty. Thomas Robinson Jr., said he doesn't know if the township would be liable for any debts or other obligations of the corporation that might occur between now and next June 30. Asked by a trustee if the township would take legal action if the corporation should obligate Benton, Robinson said, "I think that would have to be our position."

Mrs. Sirk said she doubts the corporation's board would try to force participation on any member after receiving the withdrawal notice.

Voting to withdraw were Supervisor Martin Lane, Clerk Sirk, Treasurer Joseph Postelli, and Trustees Chester Jolley Jr., Walter Slowik and Ken Malkin. Trustee Margaret Crisshal was absent.

While withdrawing from the corporation, the township board agreed unofficially that it would work toward a countywide ambulance service, should the Berrien board of commissioners ever decide to go in that direction. The Berrien board so far has not moved that way.

The Community Emergency Service Corp. was initially formed to oversee ambulance service in the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph and townships of Benton, St. Joseph, Lincoln, Royalty, and Sodus.

Cost of the service was estimated at \$53,000 a year. The cost would be paid by member government units, according to population: Benton's share was the largest: \$15,000, or nearly 25 per cent of the total.

Benton last November voted to pay its share, but reversed that decision earlier this month.

The township's change came when it decided it would be better to have a public agency run ambulances than to subsidize a private ambulance firm. The corporation has decided to work with Action Ambulance, but no contract has been acted on by its members, Mrs. Sirk said.

Mrs. Sirk said the corporation has agreed to study during the coming year prospects of a public agency - operated ambulance service, but has not decided on any specific agency to run the service, or the geographical area it would serve.



BYRNS SPEAKS TO KIWANIS: Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrns (right) gestures to friend as he shakes hand of Dennis Tuttle, president of Benton Harbor Kiwanis, while Norbert Kent, president of St.

Joseph Kiwanis, looks on. Byrns spoke Tuesday at joint luncheon meeting of two Kiwanis clubs. (Staff photo)

Byrns Forecasts Lively Stockman-Hutchinson Race

By STEVE SAGER
Staff Writer

President Ford will win in 1976 and a David Stockman vs. incumbent Edward Hutchinson race for U.S. congressman could be "the most exciting thing in years" at the state level.

Those were two of the predictions Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrns made Tuesday in a speech at a joint luncheon meeting of the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph Kiwanis clubs Tuesday at the St. Joseph Elks club.

Byrns commented during his "fate of the union" address about the past year and then speculated about what 1976 would bring. He covered economics, foreign policy, national and state-level politics.

Guards Accused

BIRMINGHAM, England (AP) — Fourteen prison officers have been charged with beating up six Irish Republican Army terrorists who planted bombs that killed 21 persons and injured 120 in two Birmingham bars.

Byrns predicted that President Ford, with a middle-of-the-road position that tilted to the right, would win the Republican nomination in 1976. He added that Edward Kennedy will get the Democratic nomination on a draft.

Byrns said both candidates would go for vice presidential running mates from the south. He predicted Ford, barring any "serious" problems facing the nation at the time of the election, would be elected president.

On the state level Byrns said there could be two important political elections in 1976. The first being the election of a replacement for U.S. Sen. Philip Hart (D-Mich.). The other "important" contest could be a Stockman vs. Hutchinson race.

Stockman, a Berrien county native and Lakeshore high school alumnus, has not officially declared for Hutchinson's seat, but has given every indication he will run.

Byrns ran unsuccessfully against Hutchinson for the congressional seat in 1962.

Other predictions and insights by Byrns were:

—The U.S. will lose Angola.
—Food will be our strongest diplomatic weapon.
—The American people in 1976 will be more conservative than anytime since Roosevelt's New Deal.

—In 1976 an international agreement will be reached between nations to stop terrorism.
—Confidence in the economy will continue by the American people.

Cruelty Charges Against Hagar Man Dismissed

Berrien Fifth District Court Judge John T. Hammond has dismissed child cruelty charges against a Hagar township man under a precedent established by the Michigan Supreme Court in 1964.

Dismissed were charges against Dan Lee Beilman, 25, of 5935 Huron street, Hagar township. Beilman had been charged with failing to provide proper medical care to April Bearden — the daughter of his present wife — last spring when the child was seven months old.

Hammond said the prosecution's case against Beilman was similar to that of a Kent county man whose conviction on child cruelty charges was overturned by the state supreme court in 1964.

In that case, Hammond said, the supreme court ruled that parents are obligated to provide food, shelter and clothing to their children, but that "medical attention" is not mentioned in the applicable laws.

Hammond said the Kent county case involved a man whose three-year-old daughter died after she was deprived of medical attention.

Hammond had bound Beilman over to Circuit court for trial on the child cruelty charge following a preliminary examination last June, but the case was sent back to District court because Beilman's attorney argued that it was similar to the Kent county case.

Testimony at the preliminary hearing showed that April Bearden twice had been taken to the Mercy hospital emergency room for treatment of a head injury and later received surgery at Borgess hospital in Kalamazoo to remove a blood clot inside the skull.

Testimony also showed a lapse of two days between the emergency room calls despite development of symptoms Beilman had been told to watch for, and that the child was in "critical" condition by the time she was taken to Mercy for the second time.

Assistant prosecutor Sally Zack said April, now 16 months old, will remain in custody of foster parents until child neglect hearings currently underway in Probate court are concluded.

Miss Zack said the civil neglect proceedings are separate from the criminal charges. She said the neglect hearing has been in adjournment since September, when the Beilmans' two-month-old son Dustin died in Mercy hospital from a ruptured stomach.

Miss Zack said the Berrien prosecutor's office is aware of no investigation in connection with the death of Dustin Beilman.



NEW AT SUPERIOR STEEL: Employees work on one of new molding systems installed this year at Superior Steel, Benton Harbor. Systems were part of \$2.3 million improvement program at plant. City of Benton Harbor issued \$1 million industrial revenue bond to help finance project. (Staff photo)

Hospital Employees Pledge \$50,617

WATERVLIET — Employees at Community Hospital, Watervliet, have pledged a total of \$50,617 toward construction of a 70-bed, \$5.2 million replacement facility.

John R. Hunt, chief X-ray technician and head of the employees' campaign drive

committee, said that as of today 127 hospital employees had exceeded their goal of \$40,000 by over 25 per cent.

The total pledges averaged nearly \$400 per contributing employee, said Hunt. Seventeen employees, including nurses and administrative personnel,

pledged over \$1,000 apiece. Hunt said he believed the pledges may have broken a record for contributions from employee groups.

The personnel group is the first to reach its target in the hospital fund drive seeking \$750,000 in voluntary subscriptions to help finance construction of the replacement facility which will be located south of Watervliet high school.

The campaign has been named REACH, acronym for Renewal-Expansion Appeal for Community Hospital.

Richard Lindenberg, president of the hospital's board of trustees, and Howard Parker, hospital administrator, issued a joint statement today saying, "We want to thank our dedicated group of co-workers for their outstanding support toward this project. The board is grateful and appreciative for this magnificent accomplishment."

The hospital employs 160 people of which 39 are part-time employees, according to hospital officials.



SLAYING SCENE: This is the home of Francis J. Pierce and his wife, Diane, who were found slain Monday. The house is located on Duck Lake in Calhoun county, Mich. A 15-year-old Clarence township youth has been charged with the slaying that is believed to have taken place Friday night. (AP Wirephoto)

Mattress Fire

Benton township firemen said a child playing with matches appeared to be the cause of a fire Tuesday in a mattress at the mobile home of Karen Reeves, 1200 East Empire avenue. Fire, confined to the mattress, was reported shortly after 9 a.m. No one was injured.

Charge Says Woman Intended To Murder

A St. Joseph township woman was arrested Tuesday by township police on a warrant charging assault with intent to murder two township police officers Monday.

Officers Kevin Kramp and Gregory Duerr said a woman pointed a handgun at them and pulled the trigger three times, but the gun was empty and did not fire. The incident occurred Monday about 6 p.m. at a St. Joseph township home where officers responded to a report of shots being fired. Police did not fire any shots in the incident.

Booked at the Berrien county jail was Mrs. Betty L. Seymour, 47, of 709 Grant avenue. Police said she was admitted to Riverwood Community Mental Health clinic after the incident, but was released Tuesday morning. She was arrested at her home about 5 p.m., police indicated.

Police reported finding seven suspected bullet holes in the kitchen and garage of the Grant avenue home and a .22 caliber revolver was confiscated Monday.

Sex Assault Was Not Part Of Earlier Case

SOUTH HAVEN — A statement in the Dec. 24 edition of this newspaper that Roger Sparks of South Haven served a six month sentence in Van Buren county jail for sexually assaulting a woman and later attacking her with a knife was incorrect.

The Van Buren prosecutor's office said yesterday that Sparks was sentenced to six months in the county jail for aggravated assault after pleading guilty to an April incident in which a woman was cut twice during an argument with a man. Sexual assault was not involved and it was not determined if the wounds were caused by a knife, according to Assistant Van Buren County Prosecutor Steve Hamlin.

Sparks is awaiting trial in Allegan county in connection with the Dec. 23 death of a South Haven woman, Deborah Knapp, whose body was found along a Saugatuck township road.

American Women Win Important Victories In 1975

In many ways, 1975 has been a good year for American women. In July, new Department of Health, Education and Welfare rules went into effect, banning sex discrimination in the nation's schools and colleges.

The First Women's bank, organized and owned chiefly by women, opened for business in New York City in October. And in the same month, the Federal Reserve board instituted new credit regulations, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex or marital status.

Women also won important victories in the United States Supreme Court during 1975. Early in the year, the Court struck down a Louisiana law that generally excluded women from jury duty and ruled that the concept of "the woman's role," upon which the law was based, was no longer applicable.

On April 15, the Court overturned a Utah law that gave adult

status to females at age 18 and to males at age 21. "No longer is the female destined solely for the home and the rearing of the family," it held.

But International Women's Year, as 1975 was designated by the United Nations, also had its defeats. Fifteen state legislatures, either in committee or on the floor, rejected the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the Constitution. One of the states was Nebraska, where supporters tried to have ratification reaffirmed after it had previously been rescinded.

Voters in New Jersey and New York rejected equal rights amendments to their state constitutions. These defeats were particularly disturbing to ERA supporters, for both states were among the first to approve the federal amendment. Now movements are under way to rescind ratification.

Led by conservative Republican Phyllis Schlafly, the "Stop

ERA" forces are solidly united against what they believe is an unnecessary legal amendment that will do more harm than good. "It won't do anything to help women," Schlafly said recently, "and it will take away from women the rights they already have...."

ERA proponents emphasize that the courts must follow the intent of Congress when they interpret the amendment. "A reading of the majority report of the Senate Judiciary Committee makes it clear that the amendment...will not take away the right to support of dependent wives or change family relationships, and will not legalize homosexual marriages," Jill Ruckelshaus, head of the United States Commission on International Women's Year, said recently in a magazine interview.

Women who oppose the ERA express bitter resentment toward the women's movement itself. "A housewife, reading the stuff that

pours out of the movement, does not need to be a vile reactionary to take it as an assault," Walter Goodman wrote recently in The New Leader; "actually, she would have to be quite insensitive and perhaps a little stupid to take it any other way."

The fact that many women feel alienated by liberation rhetoric has caused divisions within the National Organization for Women (NOW). One faction, which includes NOW founder Betty Friedan, is urging the newly elected leadership not to stray from the "mainstream" issues that affect all women.

The recent ERA defeats could force NOW to regroup its forces and plan new strategy. Only one state, North Dakota, approved the amendment this year and four more are needed by the March 1979 deadline. Women's rights leaders would clearly be embarrassed if International Women's Year were remembered as the year in which the ERA began to tumble towards extinction.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR

Suffered Some Losses But Made Strides

By MARY CAMPBELL
AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The women's rights cause in 1975 — the United Nations-proclaimed International Women's Year — faltered, suffered infighting but made some strides.

The federal Equal Rights Amendment, ratified by 34 states, needing 38 to become part of the United States Constitution, was killed by a committee of the Louisiana House of Representatives and an Illinois Senate committee. The House of Representatives of North Carolina defeated it by five votes. State ERA amendments, brought to the voters of two states, New York and New Jersey, were defeated.

Alice Doesn't Day, called by the National Organization for Women, asking women to go on strike on Oct. 29 to show the nation how much it depended on them, wasn't widely observed. Most women, not seeing the sense of it or worried about being fired in a time of recession, went to work or did housework or both.

Dissension among feminists, already present, was a rift that widened during 1975.

But there were advances. Laws concerning rape are undergoing a fundamental revision throughout the country, to aid the victims — largely because of vigorous lobbying by women's rights groups. They have fought to eliminate the kind of cross-examination that

put not the accused but the victim on trial, as "enticer." Thirteen states have changed their laws so that the victim's previous sex life isn't discussed at a rape trial.

A coalition of 93 national women's organizations, from NOW to the Lutheran Church Women, opened a drive to win adoption of an 11-point "women's agenda" for full equality. Items on the agenda are the Equal Rights Amendment, enforcement of laws guaranteeing equal education, training and employment opportunities to women, fair representation for women in the political process, elimination of discrimination in housing and changes in laws that make it difficult to convict rapists.

The International Women's Year Conference in Mexico City, attended by delegates from 123 countries, ended with a call for a greater role for the world's two billion women in decision making in their countries. American feminists complained that the conference ignored feminist issues.

The Supreme Court ruled that shifting economic and social patterns make it unconstitutional for states to deny women equal opportunity to serve on juries.

Federal regulations, less forceful than a first draft, were issued in 1975, requiring schools to end discriminatory practices against women in school ad-

missions, employment, financial aid, vocational and academic counseling and athletics. American administrators of the Rhodes Scholarships announced plans to make women eligible for the prestigious fellowships beginning in 1976.

David Mathews, secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, turned down a November request by 17 women's groups to meet to talk about continuing sex discrimination in education. Seventeen women's organizations wrote to President Gerald Ford, criticizing him for refusing to meet with representatives of major women's groups during International Women's Year.

Karen DeCrow, a lawyer from Syracuse, N.Y., was re-elected president of NOW. Audrey R. Colon, 28, Republican from Washington, was elected chairwoman of the National Women's Political Caucus, political arm of the women's rights movement. She assigned its highest priorities in next year's political campaign to the election of state legislators who will support ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.

But there were lively clashes within the women's movement. Thirteen leaders of NOW, discontented with the NOW directions as not radical enough, formed Womensurge, which they described as a network to broaden the appeal of the women's movement.

One group of radical feminists

charged that Gloria Steinem was part of a CIA plot to undermine the women's movement. She denied it. About the same time, the FBI, advising a prospective employer about Miss Steinem, designated her a security risk.

Another split in philosophy came over whether women should go to jail rather than cooperate with law enforcement authorities investigating the harboring of radical fugitives. That was triggered when Jane Alpert, a convicted bombing conspirator, surrendered after five years underground and was sentenced to 27 months in jail. She said she only talked about herself to authorities, but her alleged co-conspirator, Patricia Swinton, was picked up several months after Miss Alpert's surrender.

The Coalition of Labor Union Women decisively defeated efforts led by women from the far left to change its thrust and recommitment the organization to work for progress for women through the mainstream of the labor movement.

A feminists' school during the summer in Lyndonville, Vt., saw about a third of its students and faculty walk out, led by Ti-Grace Atkinson, to hold an alternate conference nearby. They protested funding for the August session coming from the Ms. Foundation.

A New York State Supreme Court judge ruled that a shopkeeper must summon the

police to protect a woman customer from attempted sexual assault in the store and not subject her to "titters, giggles and jokes." He denied a delatessen's petition to dismiss a woman customer's lawsuit.

In 1975, Sardi's in New York had waitresses among its waiters for the first time, after a woman filed a complaint with the federal Equal Opportunity Commission. Another woman filed suit with the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities saying she had the same right to have hair on her legs as a man. She had been fired from a waitress job for not shaving her legs. Another woman took her case to the New York Human Rights Commission when the Frick Art Reference library, a private research facility, wouldn't admit a woman wearing slacks.

Women's Work, a bi-monthly magazine, was started in the spring in celebration of International Women's Year, published by Wider Opportunities for Women, a nonprofit job counseling membership organization in Washington.

The chief of the UN Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Section announced that when women finally make it to the top as bank presidents, they are just as prone as men to grab the chance for embezzlement.



International
Women's Year
1975

They Were The First

NEW YORK (AP) — Margaret Thatcher, 48, was elected the first woman leader of Britain's Conservative Party. If the Tories win the next general election in 1979, she would automatically become the first British woman prime minister.

The general assembly of the World Council of Churches for the first time elected a woman, in fact two women, to the council's six-member presidium.

They are Annie Baeta Jaggie, an Appeals Court justice of Ghana, a Presbyterian, and Dr. Cynthia Wedel, a psychologist of Alexandria, Va., an Episcopalian and former president of the National Council of Churches.

The first woman conquered Mt. Everest. She is Junko Tabei, 35, of Saitama Prefecture, Japan.

The first female ambassador to the Vatican, breaking a 900-year unwritten rule, was ac-

cepted by the Pope. She is Bernadette Olowo, 27, from Uganda.

Mary Lou Williams at the piano led the jazz mass she had composed, in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. It was the first jazz performance ever given in the cathedral.

Africa got its first woman premier, Elizabeth Dornien of the Central African Republic. There are two others in the world, in India and Sri Lanka.

Two women were valedictorian and salutatorian of the graduating class of Princeton's class of 1975, the first time a woman has earned either honor in the school's history.

The first woman to head the equivalent of a town council in Algeria is Rabia Ferhat, 33, a school teacher with four children, in Hamadia. In Algeria, it is in country districts where women have made the most advances in political participation.

Karen Stead, 11, from Morrisville, Pa., is the first female to win the Soap Box Derby. She won against 98 other entrants.

Cyndi Meserve, 18, of Livermore Falls, Maine, became the first woman to play on National Collegiate Athletic Association men's varsity basketball team, at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, where she went to study fashion design.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has a woman at the helm for the first time in its 65 years. She is a St. Louis lawyer, Margaret Bush Wilson.

The YMCA of Canada is the first to have a woman as national president. She is Rayell Andreychuk, 30, a lawyer from Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

Kathleen Nolan, who was one of "The Real McCoys" on TV, became the first woman president of the Screen Actors Guild.

Women Who Were Among Winners

NEW YORK (AP) — Two of the 17 Pulitzer Prizes were won by women. Mary McGrory of the Washington Star winning for commentary and Annie Dillard winning for general non-fiction. Her book of poetry, "Ticket for a Prayer Wheel," was published in 1974.

Two of the 10 categories of the National Book Awards were won by women. Virginia Hamilton, children's books, with "M.C. Higgins, the Great," and

Marilyn Hacker, poetry, "Presentation Piece."

Britain's major literary prize, the Booker Award, went to German-born Ruth Prawer Jhabvala, for her newest novel, "Heat and Dust."

Oscar for best film actress: Ellen Burstyn, "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore."

Tony for best actress in a Broadway play: Ellen Burstyn, "Same Time, Next Year." Tony for best actress in a Broadway

musical: Angela Lansbury, "Gypsy."

Emmy for best actress in a TV series: Kay Lenz, "Heart in Hiding."

Grammy for best female pop vocal recording performance: Olivia Newton-John, "I Honestly Love You."

Miss America: Tawny Elaine Godin, 18, pianist from Yonkers, N.Y.

Later, in Augusta, Ga., she did not endear herself to the South by saying, "What are

grits? It sounds so awful."

Miss Black America: Helen Ford, 22, Jackson State university student, from Hattiesburg, Miss.

Miss Universe: Anne Pohtan from Finland, 19-year-old fashion model.

American Mother of the Year: Josephine W. Burson, 59, mother of two grown children, formerly head of Tennessee's Employment Security Department.

Oldest Woman To Fly Atlantic Alone Solos From Washington To Ireland

NEW YORK (AP) — There were women who made headlines, though not great big headlines, in 1975.

Christel Bochaty, 9, became the youngest person to climb the top of Mont Blanc, Europe's highest peak.

Marian Hart, 83, flew solo from Washington, D.C., to Dublin. She was said to be the oldest woman ever to fly the Atlantic alone.

Sandy Allen of Shelbyville, Ind., believed to be the tallest woman in the world at 7 feet 5, played one of Casanova's lovers in a Federico Fellini movie in Rome.

Gloria Hurd, 29 inches tall, billed on the carnival circuit as the world's shortest woman, had a son 18.5 inches tall.

Debbie Davis of Lewisville, Tex., 20, gave birth to four girls and a boy, six weeks premature. Her husband, Jerry, is a mechanic.

Diana Nyad, 25-year-old marathon swimmer, swam around Manhattan Island on her second attempt in 11 days. The 28 miles took her seven hours and 57 minutes, beating the old record by 59 minutes.

Butterfly McQueen, 64, who played Scarlett O'Hara's maid Prissy in the 1939 film, "Gone with the Wind," was graduated from the City College of New York.

Fanne Foxe, striptease dancer whose name is Annabelle Battistella, associated

with Rep. Wilbur Mills in several public incidents, moved to Westport, Conn., with her three teen-age children, where she worked on her autobiography.

Martha Mitchell was found to have malignant myeloma, a rare form of bone marrow cancer.

Viktorya Fyodorova came to the United States from Russia to meet her father, retired Adm. Jackson R. Tate, who only recently discovered that she had been born of his World War II romance with Russian actress Zova Fyodorova. Her father adopted her and she married a jet pilot, Frederick R. Pouy, of Stamford, Conn.

Lettie Gay Carson, who wages a one-woman war for improving train service in the Northeastern United States, won an order for restoration of passenger service on the Harlem Division of the Penn Central north to Millerton, N.Y. She wants it to

go as far as Pittsfield, Mass.

Jockey Mary Bacon made her Ku Klux Klan membership known when she went to a Klan rally in Walker, La., in April.

The widow and children of a researcher who committed suicide in 1953 after he was made an unknowing participant in a CIA experiment with the effects of LSD is suing over the "wrongful death" of Frank R. Olson. She is Alice Olson of Frederick, Md., who only this year learned the circumstances of her late husband's death.

The "miniskirted judge" of Los Angeles Municipal Court, Noel Cannon, cited for 24 allegations of willful misconduct, is the third judge in California history to be removed by the State Commission of Judicial Qualification. She was criticized for wearing exotic costumes in court and bringing her pet poodle to sit on her lap while she rendered judgments. Leftist guerrillas from Zaire

released Barbara Smuts of Ann Arbor, Mich., unharmed after six days of captivity in the wilderness of Tanzania. She relayed ransom demands and Stanford university paid an estimated \$40,000 after which Carrie Hunter of Atherton, Calif., Emilie Bergmann of The Netherlands and Kenneth Smith, Garden Grove, Calif., were released. All had been studying in Africa with anthropologist Jane Goodall.

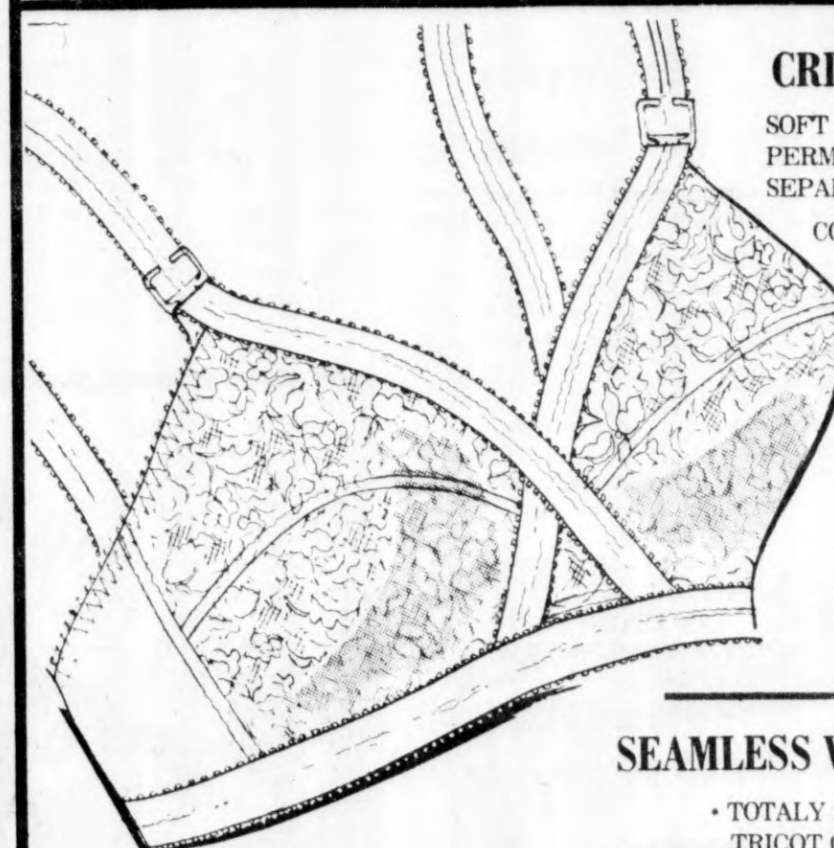
French archeologist Francoise Claustre, 38, was captured by rebels in Chad in May 1974. They demanded ransom from France, then set Sept. 23, 1975, as the date of her execution. Her husband, Pierre, tried to rescue her and also was captured. While the Chad government condemned the French government for dealing with rebel leader Hissen Habre, France paid him \$2.2 million in cash and supplies. He asked for some weapons to complete the deal.

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Nutrition Program Serves 475 Meals Each Day



COMPLETES SECOND YEAR: The Berrien County Senior Citizens Nutrition Project, which is designed to provide inexpensive, nutritious meals to persons 60 years of age and older, is completing its second year of operation. Ruth Brock, far left, is project director. At right is Eleanor M. Smith, site manager of the Harbor Towers location, Benton Harbor. (Staff photo)

Designed For Senior Citizens

By ANITA SMITH
Staff Writer

A senior citizens nutrition program which began at one site in Berrien county early in 1974 has expanded to eight locations in Berrien, two in Cass county and four in Van Buren county two years later.

The Berrien County Senior Citizens Nutrition Project is completing its second year of the National Nutrition Program for the Elderly authorized under Title VII of the Older Americans Act of 1965.

The program, designed to provide inexpensive, nutritionally sound meals to older Americans, particularly those with low incomes, was introduced by the Berrien County Council on Aging and held at the First Baptist church, Benton Harbor, according to Ruth Brock, project director.

The program served its first meals Feb. 4, 1974, with a budget of \$81,445, providing 100 meals a day in Berrien county. The following October, the project began an expansion program that will continue into 1976.

Berrien County Council on Aging, Inc., a non-profit private organization, has been granted \$183,337 in federal funds and \$34,491 in state funds for Oct. 1, 1975, through Sept. 30, 1976, to provide 475 meals a day, five days a week, to persons 60 years of age and over. The hot meals program is designed for persons who do

not eat adequately because they cannot afford to do so; those who lack the knowledge and/or skills to select and prepare nourishing and well-balanced meals, and those with limited mobility which may impair their capacity to shop and cook for themselves.

It is designed also to remove any feelings of rejection and loneliness which might occur from preparing the meal and eating alone, according to Mrs. Brock.

Food for the noon meal is prepared at Bridgman high school food service department, according to Mrs. Brock, and transported to each meal site. Meal site locations in Berrien county include Harbor Towers, Benton Harbor-Benton Township Housing Commission, East Washington and Head Start building, Townline road, Benton Harbor; Central County Center, Berrien Springs; Harbert Community church; Gateway Plaza, Niles, and Bridgman high school. Beginning Jan. 5, a site located at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Coloma, will open.

Meals are served at Southwestern Michigan college continuing education center, Dowagiac, and Vandalia township hall in Cass county. Sites located in Van Buren county include Van Buren United Civic Center, Covert, and Trinity Lutheran church, Paw Paw. On Jan. 5, a program will begin at VFW Post No. 8248, Decatur. In the near future, a location in South Haven will be determined.

According to Mrs. Brock, interested individuals may apply for the nutrition program at the Berrien County Senior Citizens Nutrition Project office, 74 Wall street, Benton Harbor, or at any site location.

Community support is a vital factor in the success of the nutrition program, where volunteers are utilized as drivers, clerks and kitchen aids, Mrs. Brock said.

The program is administered by Mrs. Brock; Larry Green, office manager; Ellen Scarlett, nutritionist; 14 site managers; two drivers, and 54 volunteers. Supportive services such as transportation; information and referral; outreach, counseling nutrition education, shopping assistance and recreation, are available at all the meal sites and at Senior information and Referral Service Centers.

Officers of the administering organization, the Berrien County Council on Aging, Inc., include David Sweet, president; George Finch, vice president; Marjorie Montgomery, treasurer, and Alice Gordon, secretary.

According to the project director, there are 9,000 such meals served in Michigan each day with a projected growth of 18,000 by the end of next year.

Around the clock with WOMEN

Dates Correct On Whipping Cream

Holiday time is the time of year when even the most avid dieters "blow it" and live it up with goodies, such as cookies and desserts topped with whipped cream, according to Maryann Beckman, Food Marketing Agent.

When the dieters look at those cartons of whipping cream, though, they may get the surprise of their lives.

A number of dairies in Michigan are offering their customers the convenience and security of "ultra-pasteurization" — a process that extends freshness beyond the average six-day period for whipping cream and half and half. This

process extends the life from between 30 and 60 days. So when you read the date stamped into the gable tops of whipping cream or half and half cartons you may, at first glance, think there's an obvious error in the last recommended date of sale listed.

Ultra-pasteurization is a high-speed heat process that destroys the micro-organisms that cause spoilage in dairy products. In the three step process, the cream is sterilized; the cartons, which are lined with foil because of the high temperatures involved, are sterilized, and the two are then brought together and sealed

under sterile conditions.

Dairy products processed this way will remain sweet and uncontaminated for up to 90 days, but most dairies use a recommended last date of sale between 30 and 60 days beyond the actual date of packaging. It should be noted and clearly understood by consumers that the forward date applies only so long as the packages remain unopened.

Once the seal is broken, ultra-pasteurized whipping cream and half and half are as vulnerable to souring as conventionally processed products. However, the extended refrigerator life of the unopened

cartons allows families the convenience of buying ahead and assuring against the disappointment of running out of an important ingredient in mid-meal or mid-recipe. It also allows you to buy when products are on special, as they traditionally are at holiday time.

Some consumers have found that ultra-pasteurized whipping cream takes longer to whip than conventionally processed cream. Dairies recognize this difference and most include special directions for its use. They recommend thoroughly shaking before use and that the user attempt to whip no more than one-half pint at a time, using a chilled bowl and chilled beater blades.

If you can't use the total amount of whipping cream in the recommended time after it's opened, simply whip the remainder and freeze dollops of whipped cream for use on other desserts and beverages later. Freeze the spoonful of whipped cream on waxed paper lined cookie sheets until frozen and then package in plastic bags. Keep frozen for future use; use within two to eight weeks.

This new ultra-pasteurization process for whipping cream and half and half has already brought a lot of questions from consumers who can hardly believe their eyes when they see the much longer dates. Once they've tried the product and kept it unopened, they've been extremely pleased with the "rightness" of the date though. So the next time you buy whipping cream or half and half, look closely at the labels and try this new product.

European consumers have long been able to purchase sterilized whole milk, too, that can be stored without refrigeration.

American dairymen could market a shelf-stable product now that's similar to the European versions, but the slight "cooked" flavor makes it unacceptable to American consumers.

With modifications in this new ultra-pasteurization technique, better quality sterilized whole milk could soon be available in this country, too. If so, the changes in American dairy marketing will be dramatic. Keep watching labels closely.

To Wed Jan. 16

SOUTH HAVEN — Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mezak, 259 North Shore drive, South Haven, announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Ann, to Paul Zwissler, son of Dr. and Mrs. Chester Zwissler of St. Joseph. Miss Mezak is a graduate of South Haven high school and attended Aquinas college, Grand Rapids. She is employed

at Sears & Roebuck, South Haven.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lake Michigan Catholic high school and Aquinas college. He is employed as a construction supervisor in Kenosha, Wis., by Edward Rose and Sons of Southfield.

A Jan. 16 wedding is planned.

Concert Series Set

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass. (AP) — The 17th and 18th century music concert series here will take place on the five weekends beginning June 28, through July 25, 1976.

This is two weeks longer than previous seasons and later in the summer. Concerts will be given at 8 p.m. on Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Larger halls than in the past

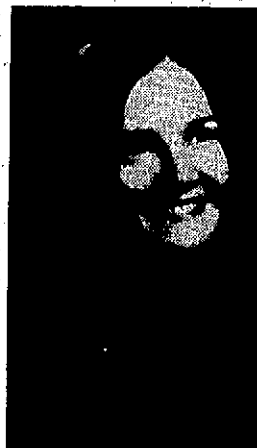
will be used and additional concerts during the week also will be scheduled.

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Ronald Liggitt

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jonatzke, 714 Vine street, St. Joseph, announce the engagement of their daughter, Valerie Ann, to Douglas Edward Steffey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Steffey, 919 Michigan avenue, St. Joseph.

Miss Jonatzke is a senior at St. Joseph high school. Her fiancé is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and is employed at Michigan Fruit Cannery, Riverside distribution center.

No wedding date has been set.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell C. Weaver, 1127 Orchard avenue, St. Joseph, announce the engagement of their daughter, Darci Pelton, to Ronald Jay DeZwaan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. DeZwaan, Grand Rapids.

Miss Weaver is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and attended Lake Michigan college and Murray State university. She is a student at Grand Valley State colleges where she is majoring in law enforcement.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Godwin high school and Grand Rapids Junior college. He is employed by Thompson Electric Company, Grand Rapids.

A March 20 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bluschke, 903 Wayne street, St. Joseph, announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Sue, to Ronald J. Liggitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Liggitt, 1558 West Shawnee road, Baroda.

Miss Bluschke is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and is employed by Farmers & Merchants National bank, Benton Harbor.

Her fiancé is a student at Lake Michigan college and is employed by Sear, Roebuck and Company, Benton Harbor.

An April wedding is planned.

Musical Thursday

The Gospel Propheteers will present a musical on New Year's Day, Thursday, Jan. 1, at Ebenezer Baptist church, Benton Harbor, according to the Rev. Walter Brown, pastor.

Guest singers at the 3 p.m. program will be the Gospel Notes, the Northern Harmonizers, Gospel Aids and the Spiritual Wonders.

Bowie Announces Tour

NEW YORK (AP) — David Bowie has announced a tour spanning more than 35 cities in the United States, Canada and Europe.

The North American portion of the tour will begin Feb. 2 in

Vancouver and end March 28 in New York. He will have a four-piece band with him.

Bowie's screen debut will be in "The Man Who Fell to Earth," to be released in the late spring.

Book For Emergencies

It's so nice to have a man around the house.

However, he's not always there, and when he is he may not be mechanically inclined, good at taking stains out of the carpet, or know what to do when there is illness or injury in the family.

Author Ruth Winter offers her new book, "Don't Panic" as a

ready reference for man, woman or child. It helps to meet all types of emergency situations at home and while traveling telling what to do and what not to do for family members, pets, plants, automobile, appliances, plumbing and most of the major or minor catastrophes likely to occur in most people's lifetimes.

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'Your Problems' By Ann Landers

Double-Trouble On The Way

Dear Ann Landers: I read your column every day and have never seen a problem like mine. I had twin daughters three months ago. Whenever I take them out in the pram I feel as if I'm putting on a side show.

Dozens of people stop and say, "Oh, they're identical! How can you tell them apart?" I say, "They are NOT identical. Each child has her own personality. There are definite differences in their features." Then the fools look for identifying characteristics and start to compare the two babies. ("That one's eyes are rounder. This one's mouth is smaller.")

It turns me up to have my children picked to pieces by strangers. What can I do about it? — Mother Of Two Individuals

Dear Mother: Plenty. And I hope you will start immediately for the sake of the children, as well as your own.

Tell the gawkers you don't permit anyone to make verbal comparisons in the presence of the children.

If you don't put a stop to it now it won't be long before the clods will be saying, "This one has prettier eyes and that one seems friendlier." When that sort of talk begins (and you can be sure it will) you'll have double trouble on your hands.

He's Cuckoo

Dear Ann: Why would a husband prefer to go outside and urinate when the bathroom is on the first floor of his home?

We live in a very fashionable

neighborhood and Lord knows how many people have seen him. When I tell the nut that I am horrified by this practice he says I have a hang-up and there's nothing wrong with it. What's the answer? — JFN

Dear JFN: What's the question? Is he cuckoo? The answer is yes. He could also be arrested if a neighbor should catch him act and decide he doesn't care for that type of sprinkler system. Send him a get-well card. He's sick.

Hang Up

Dear Ann Landers: Mary has been my friend for 18 years. I'm 40 and unmarried. One night when I was visiting in her home I admired the kitchen ceiling and asked what kind of paint she used. She said, "I'll have Bob get some for you." That's how it all began.

Bob had never been inside my apartment before. He came with the paint last Saturday, and in



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no time at all he did the ceiling. When I thanked him, he suddenly blurted out that I was the sexiest woman he had ever met and he had a secret desire for

me. I was stunned and disgusted and practically shoved him out the door. The next day he phoned to say I MUST see him. His psychologist says he needs a woman to talk to and I'm that woman. Now I feel rotten for not helping him solve his life's problems. Please advise at once. — Cow-Licked In Kansas

Dear K.: So his psychologist says he needs a woman to talk to? Well, how about his wife? Or a woman therapist?

If Bob calls again, read my advice to him right out of the paper. Then hang up.

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Shrine No More

The first week after my son went away to college last summer, I used to walk in his room and visit it like a shrine.

Everything was intact, just as he left it. I fondled the sherbet glass with the petrified pudding under his bed . . . ran my fingers lovingly over his drum set that leaked oil on the carpet . . . and cried softly as I tiptoed around the mounds of dirty underwear that didn't fit him anymore.

I made plans to preserve the

room as a living memorial where I could go in the heat of the day and be by myself and reflect on the past.

Then one day as I meditated, I noticed he had an entire wall with nothing on it, so I moved the pump organ from the hallway into his bedroom. Noting the light was pretty good in his room, I also discovered by moving out his drums and storing them I could put my sewing machine in the corner with a table for cutting.

As we were making the change, my husband observed there was an entire closet free, so why shouldn't he move his clothes into the closet. By discarding five years of Sports Illustrated my son had saved, we found room for the Christmas decorations and the carton of cancelled checks.

More and more of the family began to visit the "Temple." It became a haven for camping gear, pictures, that needed framing, storage for summer lawn furniture and newspapers awaiting recycling.

The shelf of tennis trophies gave way to a supply of bleach bottles to be used by the women of the church for a project, the chest was moved out of the room to create space for my bicycle exerciser, and the bed was stored to make way for a rocker and a TV set.

Naturally, the walls were too masculine for the room, so we painted them yellow and slip-covered the rocker in a bright pink and orange.

Just before Christmas, there was a knock on the door. It was our son home for the holidays.

"Hey, long time, no see," said my husband. "Son of a gun. How long can you stay? Terrific. We've still got the old sofa bed in it as long as you like."

This morning, my husband said, "How long is your relative going to stay?"

"My relative!" I shrugged. "I thought he was YOURS!"

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EXERCISE EASES
A pregnant woman, with her doctor's permission, will find simple exercises help relieve tension, eliminate pressure.

Dr. Lester Coleman



I am a physician and an active enthusiast of skiing. I am an accomplished skier and, in fact, have raced competitively. Last winter, I broke my pelvis. Fortunately, I am only moderately incapacitated. May I enlist your help in spreading the gospel of safety?

Dr. C.B., N.Y.

Dear Dr. B.: Each year I point out to my readers that the exhilarating sport of skiing can be hazardous for novices and experts who fail to take heed of simple precautions.

Accidents that might have been avoided will soon be evidenced by the plaster casts on arms and legs that usher in the skiing season with its fracture epidemic.

Thousands of people rush to the slopes, over-extending themselves after a year of rest from skiing. Many are incapacitated for weeks, and even months when they return.

All skiers must slowly get into condition with gentle exercises before they get on the slopes. This muscle reconditioning is imperative for body protection. Equipment must be excellent. There is no second best if accidents are to be avoided. Good skis, well-fitting boots and well-adjusted safety bindings can reduce the frequency and severity of accidents.

Most important, each skier must know his own abilities and limitations and slowly graduate

to the more difficult trails. The posted rules of safety must be adhered to strictly. There is no room for horseplay on even the simplest slopes.

If an injury does occur, don't play the hero and try to "work it out" by continuing to ski. To deny the discomfort is to incur the possibility of a relatively simple injury being converted into a complicated one.

The joys of skiing are enormous. It is pathetic when such potential pleasure is marred temporarily, and sometimes permanently, by carelessness.

Conversely, the fun of skiing can be enhanced by adhering to the fundamental rules of safety. Thank you, Dr. B., for bringing your own experience to the attention of my readers.

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Ask the Jacobys

Today's article was prompted by a Cleveland reader's request about what to do when someone perpetrates an Alcatraz coup. In duplicate the director should not only adjust the score in favor of the victim, but if he believes that the offense was deliberate, should assess a severe disciplinary penalty. In any major tournament he surely would and the tournament committee would back him up. In rubber bridge games it is up to the other players to see that the offender mends his ways.

By Oswald & James Jacoby

The Alcatraz coup was given that name back in the early '30s, when a particularly slimy expert first tried it. Today's hand illustrates this play at its worst.

South is worried about the 10 of trumps. He is going to have to ruff the third heart. If West started with three spades to the 10 South won't be able to shut it out. If he started with 10 and one South can ruff high and pick it up but if West started with two small and South ruffs high it is going to establish the 10 in the East hand.

Our unsavory character found a way to have his cake and eat it too. He ruffed the second heart with the nine of trumps. West overruffed with the 10. Dummy asked, "No hearts, partner" and South found a heart.

He took back his nine, followed suit, proceeded to ruff high the next time, dropped West's 10 and managed to make the contract. He gave it back after West threatened to punch him in the nose and North told West to go ahead.

Mix Apples

In Caramel

Apple wedge "dippers" and caramel sauce make a cold-weather party dessert.

In fondue pot, over low heat, melt one (fifteen ounce) bag caramels with one-half cup heavy cream. Stir in two tablespoons brandy or rum. Provide long-handled fondue forks to spear crisp wedges of apples for dipping into hot caramel sauce.

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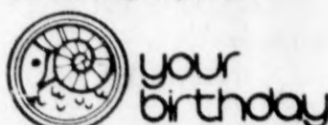
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American Women Win Important Victories In 1975

In many ways, 1975 has been a good year for American women. In July, new Department of Health, Education and Welfare rules went into effect, banning sex discrimination in the nation's schools and colleges.

The First Women's bank, organized and owned chiefly by women, opened for business in New York City in October. And in the same month, the Federal Reserve board instituted new credit regulations, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex or marital status.

Women also won important victories in the United States Supreme Court during 1975. Early in the year, the Court struck down a Louisiana law that generally excluded women from jury duty and ruled that the concept of "the woman's role," upon which the law was based, was no longer applicable.

On April 15, the Court overturned a Utah law that gave adult

status to females at age 18 and to males at age 21. "No longer is the female destined solely for the home and the rearing of the family," it held.

But International Women's Year, as 1975 was designated by the United Nations, also had its defeats. Fifteen state legislatures, either in committee or on the floor, rejected the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the Constitution. One of the states was Nebraska, where supporters tried to have ratification reaffirmed after it had previously been rescinded.

Voters in New Jersey and New York rejected equal rights amendments to their state constitutions. These defeats were particularly disturbing to ERA supporters, for both states were among the first to approve the federal amendment. Now movements are under way to rescind ratification.

Led by conservative Republican Phyllis Schlafly, the "Stop

ERA" forces are solidly united against what they believe is an unnecessary legal amendment that will do more harm than good. "It won't do anything to help women," Schlafly said recently, "and it will take away from women the rights they already have...."

ERA proponents emphasize that the courts must follow the intent of Congress when they interpret the amendment. "A reading of the majority report of the Senate Judiciary Committee makes it clear that the amendment...will not take away the right to support of dependent wives or change family relationships, and will not legalize homosexual marriages," Jill Ruckelshaus, head of the United States Commission on International Women's Year, said recently in a magazine interview.

Women who oppose the ERA express bitter resentment toward the women's movement itself. "A housewife, reading the stuff that

pours out of the movement, does not need to be a vile reactionary to take it as an assault," Walter Goodman wrote recently in The New Leader; "actually, she would have to be quite insensitive and perhaps a little stupid to take it any other way."

The fact that many women feel alienated by liberation rhetoric has caused divisions within the National Organization for Women (NOW). One faction, which includes NOW founder Betty Friedan, is urging the newly elected leadership not to stray from the "mainstream" issues that affect all women.

The recent ERA defeats could force NOW to regroup its forces and plan new strategy. Only one state, North Dakota, approved the amendment this year and four more are needed by the March 1979 deadline. Women's rights leaders would clearly be embarrassed if International Women's Year were remembered as the year in which the ERA began to tumble towards extinction.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR

Suffered Some Losses But Made Strides

By MARY CAMPBELL
AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The women's rights cause in 1975 — the United Nations-proclaimed International Women's Year — faltered, suffered enlightening but made some strides.

The federal Equal Rights Amendment, ratified by 34 states, needing 38 to become part of the United States Constitution, was killed by a committee of the Louisiana House of Representatives and an Illinois Senate committee. The House of Representatives of North Carolina defeated it by five votes. State ERA amendments, brought to the voters of two states, New York and New Jersey, were defeated.

Alice Doesn't Day, called by the National Organization for Women, asking women to go on strike on Oct. 29 to show the nation how much it depended on them, wasn't widely observed. Most women, not seeing the sense of it or worried about being fired in a time of recession, went to work or did housework or both.

Disension among feminists, already present, was a rift that widened during 1975.

But there were advances. Laws concerning rape are undergoing a fundamental revision throughout the country, to aid the victims — largely because of vigorous lobbying by women's rights groups. They have fought to eliminate the kind of cross-examination that

put not the accused but the victim on trial, as "entire." Thirteen states have changed their laws so that the victim's previous sex life isn't discussed at a rape trial.

A coalition of 93 national women's organizations, from NOW to the Lutheran Church Women, opened a drive to win adoption of an 11-point "women's agenda" for full equality. Items on the agenda are the Equal Rights Amendment, enforcement of laws guaranteeing equal education, training and employment opportunities to women, fair representation for women in the political process, elimination of discrimination in housing and changes in laws that make it difficult to convict rapists.

The International Women's Year Conference in Mexico City, attended by delegates from 123 countries, ended with a call for a greater role for the world's two billion women in decision making in their countries. American feminists complained that the conference ignored feminist issues.

The Supreme Court ruled that shifting economic and social patterns make it unconstitutional for states to deny women equal opportunity to serve on juries.

Federal regulations, less forceful than a first draft, were issued in 1975, requiring schools to end discriminatory practices against women in school ad-

missions, employment, financial aid, vocational and academic counseling and athletics. American administrators of the Rhodes Scholarships announced plans to make women eligible for the prestigious fellowships beginning in 1976.

David Matthews, secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, turned down a November request by 17 women's groups to meet to talk about continuing sex discrimination in education. Seventeen women's organizations wrote to President Gerald Ford, criticizing him for refusing to meet with representatives of major women's groups during International Women's Year.

Karen DeCrow, a lawyer from Syracuse, N.Y., was re-elected president of NOW. Audrey R. Colon, 28, Republican from Washington, was elected chairwoman of the National Women's Political Caucus, political arm of the women's rights movement. She assigned its highest priorities in next year's political campaign to the election of state legislators who will support ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.

But there were lively clashes within the women's movement. Thirteen leaders of NOW, discontented with the NOW directions as not radical enough, formed Womensurge, which they described as a network to broaden the appeal of the women's movement.

One group of radical feminists

charged that Gloria Steinem was part of a CIA plot to undermine the women's movement. She denied it. About the same time, the FBI, advising a prospective employer about Miss Steinem, designated her a security risk.

Another split in philosophy came over whether women should go to jail rather than cooperate with law enforcement authorities investigating the harboring of radical fugitives. That was triggered when Jane Alpert, a convicted bombing conspirator, surrendered after five years underground and was sentenced to 27 months in jail. She said she only talked about herself to authorities, but her alleged co-conspirator, Patricia Swinton, was picked up several months after Miss Alpert's surrender.

The Coalition of Labor Union Women decisively defeated efforts led by women from the far left to change its thrust and recommit the organization to work for progress for women through the mainstream of the labor movement.

A feminists' school during the summer in Lyndonville, Vt., saw about a third of its students and faculty walk out, led by Ti-Grace Atkinson, to hold an alternate conference nearby. They protested funding for the August session coming from the Ms. Foundation.

A New York State Supreme Court judge ruled that a shopkeeper must summon the

police to protect a woman customer from attempted sexual assault in the store and not subject her to "titters, giggles and jokes." He denied a delatessen's petition to dismiss a woman customer's lawsuit.

In 1975, Sardi's in New York had waitresses among its waiters for the first time, after a woman filed a complaint with the federal Equal Opportunity Commission. Another woman filed suit with the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities saying she had the same right to have hair on her legs as a man. She had been fired from a waitress job for not shaving her legs. Another woman took her case to the New York Human Rights Commission when the Frick Art Reference library, a private research facility, wouldn't admit a woman wearing slacks.

Women's Work, a bi-monthly magazine, was started in the spring in celebration of International Women's Year, published by Wider Opportunities for Women, a nonprofit job counseling membership organization in Washington.

The chief of the UN Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Section announced that when women finally make it to the top as bank presidents, they are just as prone as men to grab the chance for embezzlement.

Women Who Were Among Winners

NEW YORK (AP) — Two of the 17 Pulitzer Prizes were won by women, Mary McGrory of the Washington Star winning for commentary and Annie Dillard winning for general non-fiction. Her book of poetry, "Ticket for a Prayer Wheel," was published in 1974.

Two of the 10 categories of the National Book Awards were won by women, Virginia Hamilton, children's books, with "M.C. Higgins, the Great," and

Marilyn Hacker, poetry, "Presentation Piece."

Britain's major literary prize, the Booker Award, went to German-born Ruth Praver Jhabvala, for her newest novel, "Heat and Dust."

Oscar for best film actress: Ellen Burstyn, "Alice Doesn't Live Here Any More."

Tony for best actress in a Broadway play: Ellen Burstyn, "Same Time, Next Year." Tony for best actress in a Broadway

musical: Angela Lansbury, "Gypsy."

Emmy for best actress in a TV series: Kay Lenz, "Heart in Hiding."

Grammy for best female pop vocal recording performance: Olivia Newton-John, "I Honestly Love You."

Miss America: Tawny Elaine Godin, 18, pianist from Yonkers, N.Y.

Later, in Augusta, Ga., she did not endorse herself to the South by saying, "What are

grits? It sounds so awful."

Miss Black America: Helen Ford, 22, Jackson State university student, from Hattiesburg, Miss.

Miss Universe: Anne Pohtan from Finland, 19-year-old fashion model.

American Mother of the Year: Josephine W. Burson, 58, mother of two grown children, formerly head of Tennessee's Employment Security Department.

Oldest Woman To Fly Atlantic Alone Solos From Washington To Ireland

NEW YORK (AP) — There were women who made headlines, though not great big headlines, in 1975.

Christel Bochatay, 9, became the youngest person to climb the top of Mont Blanc, Europe's highest peak.

Marian Hart, 83, flew solo from Washington, D.C., to Dublin. She was said to be the oldest woman ever to fly the Atlantic alone.

Sandy Allen of Shelbyville, Ind., believed to be the tallest woman in the world at 7 feet 5, played one of Casanova's lovers in a Federico Fellini movie in Rome.

Gloria Hurd, 29 inches tall, billed on the carnival circuit as the world's shortest woman, had a son 18.5 inches tall.

Debbie Davis of Lewisville, Tex., 20, gave birth to four girls and a boy, six weeks premature. Her husband, Jerry, is a mechanic.

Diana Nyad, 25-year-old marathon swimmer, swam around Manhattan Island on her second attempt in 11 days. The 28 miles took her seven hours and 57 minutes, beating the old record by 58 minutes.

Butterfly McQueen, 64, who played Scarlett O'Hara's maid Prissy in the 1939 film, "Gone with the Wind," was graduated from the City College of New York.

Fanne Foxe, striptease dancer whose name is Annabelle Battistella, associated

with Rep. Wilbur Mills in several public incidents, moved to Westport, Conn., with her three teen-age children, where she worked on her autobiography.

Martha Mitchell was found to have malignant myeloma, a rare form of bone marrow cancer.

Viktoria Fyodorova came to the United States from Russia to meet her father, retired Adm. Jackson R. Tate, who only recently discovered that she had been born of his World War II romance with Russian actress Zoya Fyodorova. Her father adopted her and she married a jet pilot, Frederick R. Pouy, of Stamford, Conn.

Little Gay Carson, who wages a one-woman war for improving train service in the Northeastern United States, won an order for restoration of passenger service on the Harlem Division of the Penn Central north to Millerton, N.Y. She wants it to

go as far as Pittsfield, Mass.

Jockey Mary Bacon made her Ku Klux Klan membership known when she went to a Klan rally in Walker, La., in April.

The widow and children of a researcher who committed suicide in 1953 after he was made an unknowing participant in a CIA experiment with the effects of LSD is suing over the "wrongful death" of Frank R. Olson. She is Alice Olson of Frederick, Md., who only this year learned the circumstances of her late husband's death.

The "miniskirted judge" of Los Angeles Municipal Court, Noel Cannon, cited for 24 allegations of willful misconduct, is the third judge in California history to be removed by the State Commission of Judicial Qualification. She was criticized for wearing exotic costumes in court and bringing her pet poodle to sit on her lap while she rendered judgments.

Leftist guerrillas from Zaire

released Barbara Smuts of Ann Arbor, Mich., unharmed after six days of captivity in the wilderness of Tanzania. She relayed ransom demands and Stanford university paid an estimated \$40,000 after which Carrie Hunter of Atherton, Calif., Emilie Bergmann of The Netherlands and Kenneth Smith, Garden Grove, Calif., were released. All had been studying in Africa with anthropologist Jane Goodall.

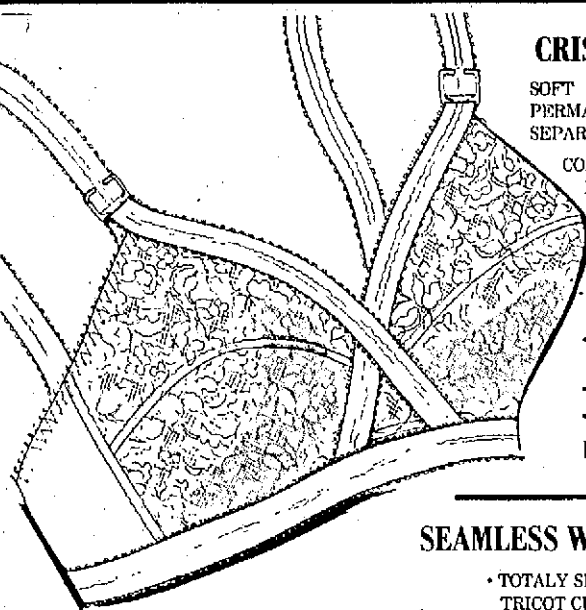
French archeologist Francoise Claustre, 38, was captured by rebels in Chad in May 1974. They demanded ransom from France, then set Sept. 23, 1975, as the date of her execution. Her husband, Pierre, tried to rescue her and also was captured. While the Chad government condemned the French government for dealing with rebel leader Hissen Habre, France paid him \$2.2 million in cash and supplies. He asked for some weapons to complete the deal.

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Recruiter Johnson Quitting Military

A man who has served as a recruiter for both the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy in the Twin Cities area has announced he will retire from the military service at the end of this year.

Chief Petty Officer Harold A.

Johnson said his retirement will become effective today ending a military career of 23 years.

Johnson, 41, first came to this area in 1965 as a recruiter in the uniform of an army sergeant first class, the equivalent of his

naval rank. He left the army in 1969 after 16 years of active duty and became a naval reservist.

In 1971 he went on active duty with the navy and in 1971 returned to the Twin Cities as recruiter for all navy reserve

programs.

Johnson will continue to live at 6908 Hiawatha in Coloma township with his wife and one son. He also has two older daughters.

He said he will enroll at Southwestern Michigan College in Dowagiac to begin a college education he hopes will lead to a future career in counseling.



CPO HAROLD JOHNSON
Retiring

South Haven Man Demands Hearing On Assault Charge

SOUTH HAVEN — Marshall Burns, 31, 325 Superior street, South Haven, demanded a preliminary examination when arraigned this week in Seventh District court here on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Burns was arrested by South Haven city police Saturday in connection with an incident Christmas day in which Jane Willhite, of 815 Indiana avenue, South Haven contends she was threatened by a man with a shotgun, according to Asst. Prosecutor Steve Hamlin. Burns was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance bond.

A charge of fraud against James Tibbitts, 23, of Holland was placed on open adjournment. Tibbitts was arrested Dec. 10 by South Haven city police in connection with the alleged cashing of a no account check at a South Haven business.

A charge of embezzlement against Tommy McCray, 31, of 222 North Shore drive, South Haven was placed on open adjournment. He was arrested by state police from the South Haven post in connection with the theft of funds alleged to be missing from the Melody Lanes bowling alley of South Haven

where he was employed. The funds allegedly were entry fees for a bowling tournament.

Six men were bound over to Van Buren circuit court following preliminary examination on charges of breaking and entering.

Bound over were Gordon Cartwright, 20, Duane Woodard, Jr., 19, and Robert Jacobs, 19, all of Watervliet; Kenneth Cartwright, 19, of Benton Harbor; Terry Ashley, 18, of Coloma; and Kevin Lang, 20, of Hartford.

They were arrested in connection with the Oct. 10 breaking and entering of the Pocahontas blueberry farm, CR-376, Covert township. An estimated \$1,000 in equipment was reported taken.

Lang was also bound over to circuit court on a charge of unlawfully driving away an auto. All defendants were released on \$1,000 personal recognizance bond.

STATE SUPREME COURT

Minority Rulings May Be Reduced

By **SUSAN AGER**
Associated Press Writer
LANSING, Mich. (AP) — From now on, the Michigan Supreme Court will permit its seven justices to rule on cases even if they ruled on the case while serving on the state Appeals Court.

The policy change, made by the justices themselves after some legal research, may result in fewer minority decisions, which leave attorneys puzzled over their significance.

Previously, the court barred any justice from hearing a case which he participated in while on the appeals court. This policy occasionally left the bench short, and resulted in weak minority decisions which lack clear force of law.

The minority decision is a 31, 3-2 or 3-3 decision, one in which less than half the justices endorse the court's majority ruling.

Such minority decisions, because they do not represent the views of the majority, confuse attorneys, who cannot be sure that the decision is the law of the state, or just a decision on that particular case.

"The law tolerates lack of clarity least well," said Harold Hoag, Supreme Court clerk.

Though the policy change does not have momentous implications for the current full court, Hoag said, it will be significant for future appeals court judges who are elected or appointed to the court.

Hoag guessed that perhaps six times in the past year the court has been forced to issue 3-1 decisions. The court was short-handed for several months this year, first because of the death of Thomas M. Kavanagh in May and then when John Swainson withdrew from court business after his indictment this summer.

Minority decisions, Hoag said, cost the state money because of attempts by confused attorneys to retry the cases. Public bodies also cannot be sure how powerful a decision is when fewer than half the Supreme Court justices made the decision.

Justices still may disqualify themselves from hearing a case

because of Appeals Court experiences, Hoag said, but they will not be forced to.

"An appeals court is a far different thing than a trial court," said Hoag, who emphasized that justices who heard a case in a lower trial court cannot hear it before the Supreme Court.

"If that could be done, the citizens' right to appeal would be considerably reduced, because a judge who participated in a judgment on the case would now be sitting on the bench during the appeal," he said.

Three current justices — Thomas G. Kavanagh, John Fitzgerald and Charles Levin — are former Appeals Court judges, though all but Levin

have been off the Appeals Court for several years.

Few cases are likely to come before the Supreme Court that any of the three had participated in before, Hoag said.

Already justices may disqualify themselves if a relative is a party to the suit or an attorney for either party, or if the suit involves a city or county

in which the justice lived, Hoag said.

The opinion of Justice James Ryan, appointed this month to the Supreme Court to fill John Swainson's empty seat, will most likely be missing from several forthcoming decisions because he missed early arguments on the cases.

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'Your Problems' By Ann Landers

Double-Trouble On The Way

Dear Ann Landers: I read your column every day and have never seen a problem like mine. I had twin daughters three months ago. Whenever I take them out in the pram I feel as if I'm putting on a side show. Dozens of people stop and say, "Oh, they're identical! How can you tell them apart?" I say, "They are NOT identical. Each child has her own personality. There are definite differences in their features." Then the fools look for identifying characteristics and start to compare the two babies. ("That one's eyes are rounder. This one's mouth is smaller.")

Dear Mother: Plenty. And I hope you will start immediately for the sake of the children, as well as your own. Tell the gawkers you don't permit anyone to make verbal comparisons in the presence of the children. If you don't put a stop to it now it won't be long before the clods will be saying, "This one has prettier eyes and that one seems friendlier." When that sort of talk begins (and you can be sure it will) you'll have double trouble on your hands.

neighborhood and Lord knows how many people have seen him. When I tell the nut that I am horrified by this practice he says I have a hang-up and there's nothing wrong with it. What's the answer? — JFN

Dear JFN: What's the question? Is he cuckoo? The answer is yes. He could also be arrested if a neighbor should catch him act and decide he doesn't care for that type of sprinkler system. Send him a get-well card. He's sick.



ANN LANDERS

no time at all he did the ceiling. When I thanked him, he suddenly blurted out that I was the sexiest woman he had ever met and he had a secret desire for

Hang Up

Dear Ann Landers: Mary has been my friend for 18 years. I'm 40 and unmarried. One night when I was visiting in her home I admired the kitchen ceiling and asked what kind of paint she used. She said, "I'll have Bob get some for you." That's how it all began. Bob had never been inside my apartment before. He came with the paint last Saturday, and in

He's Cuckoo

Dear Ann: Why would a husband prefer to go outside and urinate when the bathroom is on the first floor of his home? We live in a very fashionable

Erma Bombeck

Shrine No More



The first week after my son went away to college last summer, I used to walk in his room and visit it like a shrine. Everything was intact, just as he left it. I fondled the sherbet glass with the petrified pudding under his bed . . . ran my fingers lovingly over his drum set that leaked oil on the carpet . . . and cried softly as I tiptoed around the mounds of dirty underwear that didn't fit him anymore.

room as a living memorial where I could go in the heat of the day and be by myself and reflect on the past. Then one day as I meditated, I noticed he had an entire wall with nothing on it, so I moved the pump organ from the hallway into his bedroom. Noting the light was pretty good in his room, I also discovered by moving out his drums and storing them I could put my sewing machine in the corner with a table for cutting.

As we were making the change, my husband observed there was an entire closet free, so why shouldn't he move his clothes into the closet. By discarding five years of Sports Illustrated my son had saved, we found room for the Christmas decorations and the carton of cancelled checks. More and more of the family began to visit the "Temple." It became a haven for camping gear, pictures, that needed framing, storage for summer lawn furniture and newspapers awaiting recycling.

The shelf of tennis trophies gave way to a supply of bleach bottles to be used by the women of the church for a project, the chest was moved out of the room to create space for my bicycle exerciser, and the bed was stored to make way for a rocker and a TV set.

Naturally, the walls were too masculine for the room, so we painted them yellow and slipcovered the rocker in a bright pink and orange. Just before Christmas, there was a knock on the door. It was our son home for the holidays. "Hey, long time, no see," said my husband. "Son of a gun. How long can you stay? Terrific. We've still got the old sofa bed in the den and you're welcome to it as long as you like." This morning, my husband said, "How long is your relative going to stay?" "MY relative!" I shrugged. "I thought he was YOURS!"

Dr. Lester Coleman



I am a physician and an active enthusiast of skiing. I am an accomplished skier and, in fact, have raced competitively. Last winter, I broke my pelvis. Fortunately, I am only moderately incapacitated. May I enlist your help in spreading the gospel of safety?

The posted rules of safety must be adhered to strictly. There is no room for horseplay on even the simplest slopes.

If an injury does occur, don't play the hero and try to "work it out" by continuing to ski. To deny the discomfort is to incur the possibility of a relatively simple injury being converted into a complicated one.

The joys of skiing are enormous. It is pathetic when such potential pleasure is marred temporarily, and sometimes permanently, by carelessness.

Conversely, the fun of skiing can be enhanced by adhering to the fundamental rules of safety. Thank you, Dr. B., for bringing your own experience to the attention of my readers.

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Make Cereal With Energy

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EXERCISE EASES A pregnant woman, with her doctor's permission, will find simple exercises help relieve tension, eliminate pressure.

Astro-Graph
Bernice Bode Osei

FOR THURSDAY JAN. 1, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Avoid competitive situation today. If you play the game, do it for fun, not for gold or glory.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Some strong views of yours may offend your audience today. If you sense this, back off a bit.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't make large material requests today. Though you feel others owe you for past favors, they'll consider it an imposition.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be careful today not to get in the middle with friends or family. It will only cast you as the villain.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You could make an unwise, impulsive promise to help someone today because you're in an expansive mood. You'll be the goat when you can't deliver.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your well-intentioned New Year's resolutions could be shattered today if you're not careful. Guard against overindulgence.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Trying to wrap up an important deal in a hurry today may be a grave mistake. Be patient. Accept time as your ally.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today, don't try to monopolize the conversation with subjects you alone are interested in. Give everyone a chance to air their views.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Pelling like a wheeler-dealer today? Be too lavish with your resources and you'll learn the meaning of "waste not, want not!"

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today, you shouldn't press to have your way. Make your pitch, then graciously go along with others if outvoted.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Don't read derogatory meaning into things others say to you today. You could end up with hurt feelings, when no malice was intended.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be a trifle cynical about things acquaintances propose to you today, particularly if they're "pie in the sky" propositions.

FOR Friday, Jan. 2, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Goals won't come easily to you today. If you want to grab the brass ring, you'll have to really make a dash for it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It's better to concentrate on one thing and do it well today than to spread yourself too thin.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This could be a rather tricky day for you businesswise. Take nothing for granted. Read the fine print before signing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You could spend the day weighing alternatives and making no decisions. Be cautious, but if you make a mistake, you can later rectify it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Pace yourself at work today. Don't take on more than you can handle, then wind up frustrated at all that's left undone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) This is not a day for you to bet on long shots or to take a flyer in the stock market. Be prudent and practical in regard to resources.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't make changes today that affect home of family just for the sake of change. Move only if you have a carefully considered reason.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Drive cautiously today even if you have the right-of-way. The person you're going to see won't mind if you're a trifle late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Deal only with those you know to be reliable on any purchases made today. Bargains from strangers later will prove costly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It's sensible to look out for your interests, but don't do it at the expense of others today. Treat them as you'd like to be treated.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Things may start out a little slowly for you today, but don't despair. You'll find perseverance pays off.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You'll be far more productive today if you isolate yourself from disruptive influences. Lock the door if you're working on something important.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Ask the Jacobys

Today's article was prompted by a Cleveland reader's request about what to do when someone perpetrates an Alcatraz coup. In duplicate the director should not only adjust the score in favor of the victim, but if he believes that the offense was deliberate, should assess a severe disciplinary penalty. In any major tournament he surely would and the tournament committee would back him up. In rubber bridge games it is up to the other players to see that the offender mends his ways.

By Oswald & James Jacoby

The Alcatraz coup was given that name back in the early '30s, when a particularly slimy expert first tried it. Today's hand illustrates this play at its worst. South is worried about the 10 of trumps. He is going to have to ruff the third heart. If West started with three spades to the 10 South won't be able to shut it out. If he started with 10 and one South can ruff high and pick it up but if West started with two small and South ruffs high it is going to establish the 10 in the East hand.

Our unsavory character found a way to have his cake and eat it too. He ruffed the second heart with the nine of trumps. West overruled with the 10. Dummy asked, "No hearts, partner" and South found a heart.

He took back his nine, followed suit, proceeded to ruff high the next time, dropped West's 10 and managed to make the contract. He gave it back after West threatened to punch him in the nose and North told West to go ahead.

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♣ Both vulnerable	
West North East South	
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Opening lead — K ♠	

Special Services

COLOMA — New Year's services will be held at Salem Lutheran church, Coloma, tonight at 7:30 p.m. and New Year's day at 10 a.m. Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services.

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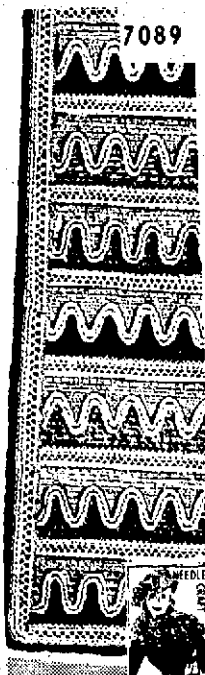
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Read it Saturday in Family Weekly, a regular feature of The Herald-Palladium.

Education And Recreation South Haven Schedules Winter Programs

By TOM RENNER
South Haven Correspondent

SOUTH HAVEN — The winter schedule of the South Haven community education-recreation program has been announced by director Robert Gabel.

The program is a cooperative effort of the city of South Haven and the South Haven board of education and is designed to provide programs and services to meet the educational, enrichment and recreational needs of all age groups in the South Haven area.

The winter semester of evening adult high school credit courses will begin Jan. 12. Per-

sons wishing to complete their high school education should contact the community education office prior to the start of classes so a program of study can be formulated. The winter semesters will run through April 29.

There will also be an adult basic education program on Monday evening beginning Jan. 12 for those with less than an eighth grade education.

There will be more than 20 enrichment and recreation classes offered adults on a non-credit basis.

The offerings will include reupholstering, beginning and advanced guitar, conversational Spanish, cake decorating, electronics, scuba diving, perspectives on death, off-loom weav-

ing, everyday metrics, drawing from models, basic amateur radio, powder puff mechanics, gourmet cooking, personal typing, home improvement for the layman, women's slimnastics, basic home wiring, real estate, sewing with stretch fabrics, macrame, understanding and communicating with children and use of leaded glass.

Supervised gym for elementary-age children will be held Saturdays beginning Jan. 10 at the Lincoln school. The schedule will be as follows: first graders, 9 a.m.; second, 10 a.m.; third, 11 a.m.; fourth, 12:30 p.m.; fifth, 1:30 p.m. and sixth, 2:30 p.m.

Supervised gym and swimming for seventh and eighth grade students will be Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m., beginning

Jan. 26 at the L. C. Mohr high school.

Indoor tennis will be available on the L. C. Mohr high gym Sunday afternoons beginning Jan. 11. Two nets will be set up. Reservations must be made in advance at the community education office. Rental fee will be \$6 an hour.

A variety of enrichment and

recreation programs will be offered elementary-age students including boys and girls basketball, coed track, knitting and crocheting and beginning guitar.

There will also be swimming lessons at all ability levels on Wednesday nights beginning Feb. 4. Open swimming will be offered Thursday evenings

beginning Jan. 29.

Lake Michigan College will offer several college-credit courses beginning the week of Jan. 26. Registration forms should be submitted by Jan. 14.

A brochure describing the winter programs is available at the community education-recreation office at the high school.

Buchanan Masonic Officers

BUCHANAN — Kenneth Gearhart has been elected worshipful master for 1976 of the Buchanan Masonic Lodge 68.

Other officers elected for 1976 include William Barnes, senior warden; Franklin Williams, junior warden; Wayne Castle, treasurer; Roy Knapp, Jr., secretary; Charles Hanover, Jr., senior deacon; William Wantz, junior deacon; Maurice Nelson, senior steward; Carl Ferris, junior steward; Claire McKee, chaplain; and Keith Everman, tiler.

FIRE KILLS FOUR

DETMOLD, West Germany (AP) — Fire swept through a home for the aged early Tuesday, killing four of the residents and injuring four others, authorities reported.

MR. TWEEDY

by Ned Riddle



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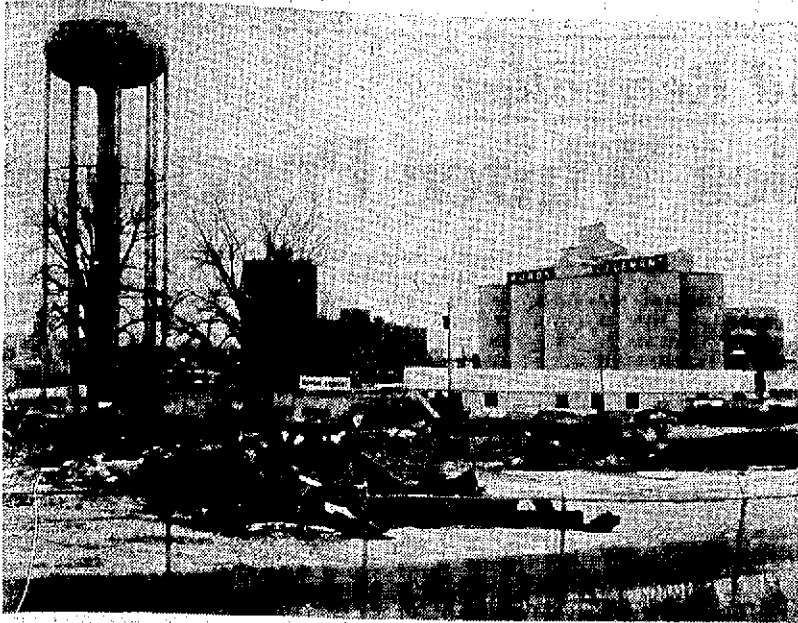


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Recruiter Johnson Quitting Military

A man who has served as a recruiter for both the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy in the Twin Cities area has announced he will retire from the military service at the end of this year.

Chief Petty Officer Harold A.

Johnson said his retirement will become effective today ending a military career of 23 years.

Johnson, 41, first came to this area in 1965 as a recruiter in the uniform of an army sergeant first class, the equivalent of his

naval rank. He left the army in 1969 after 10 years of active duty and became a naval reservist.

In 1971 he went on active duty with the navy and in 1971 returned to the Twin Cities as recruiter for all navy reserve

programs.

Johnson will continue to live at 8008 Hawthorne in Colonia township with his wife and one son. He also has two older daughters.

He said he will enroll at Southwestern Michigan College in Dowagiac to begin a college education he hopes will lead to a future career in counseling.



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South Haven Man Demands Hearing On Assault Charge

SOUTH HAVEN — Marshall Burns, 31, 325 Superior street, South Haven, demanded a preliminary examination when arraigned this week in Seventh District court here on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Burns was arrested by South Haven city police Saturday in connection with an incident Christmas day in which Jane White, of 815 Indiana avenue, South Haven contends she was threatened by a man with a shotgun, according to Asst. Prosecutor Steve Hamlin. Burns was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance bond.

A charge of fraud against James Tibbitts, 23, of Holland was placed on open adjournment. Tibbitts was arrested Dec. 10 by South Haven city police in connection with the alleged cashing of a no account check at a South Haven business.

A charge of embezzlement against Tommy McCray, 31, of 222 North Shore drive, South Haven was placed on open adjournment. He was arrested by state police from the South Haven post in connection with the theft of funds alleged to be missing from the Melody Lanes bowling alley of South Haven

where he was employed. The funds allegedly were entry fees for a bowling tournament.

Six men were bound over to Van Buren circuit court following preliminary examination on charges of breaking and entering.

Bound over were Gordon Cartwright, 20, Duane Woodard, Jr., 19, and Robert Jacobs, 19, all of Watervliet; Kenneth Cartwright, 19, of Benton Harbor; Terry Ashley, 18, of Coloma; and Kevin Lang, 20, of Hartford.

They were arrested in connection with the Oct. 10 breaking and entering of the Pocahontas blueberry farm, CR-378, Covert township. An estimated \$1,000 in equipment was reported taken.

Lang was also bound over to circuit court on a charge of unlawfully driving away an auto. All defendants were released on \$1,000 personal recognizance bond.

JACKIE IN SALT LAKE

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis has arrived in Salt Lake City with her children and several members of the Kennedy family for a skiing vacation at Snowbird resort.

STATE SUPREME COURT

Minority Rulings May Be Reduced

By **SUSAN AGER**
Associated Press Writer
LANSING, Mich. (AP) — From now on, the Michigan Supreme Court will permit its seven justices to rule on cases even if they ruled on the case while serving on the state Appeals Court.

The policy change, made by the justices themselves after some legal research, may result in fewer minority decisions, which leave attorneys puzzled over their significance.

Previously, the court barred any justice from hearing a case which he participated in while on the appeals court. This policy occasionally left the bench short, and resulted in weak minority decisions which lack clear force of law.

The minority decision is a 3-1, 3-2 or 3-3 decision, one in which less than half the justices endorse the court's majority ruling.

Such minority decisions, because they do not represent the views of the majority, confuse attorneys, who cannot be sure that the decision is the law of the state, or just a decision on that particular case.

"The law tolerates lack of clarity least well," said Harold Hoag, Supreme Court clerk.

Though the policy change does not have momentous implications for the current full court, Hoag said, it will be significant for future appeals court judges who are elected or appointed to the court.

Hoag guessed that perhaps six times in the past year the court has been forced to issue 3-1 decisions. The court was short-handed for several months this year, first because of the death of Thomas M. Kavanagh in May and then when John Swainson withdrew from court business after his indictment this summer.

Minority decisions, Hoag said, cost the state money because of attempts by confused attorneys to retry the cases. Public bodies also cannot be sure how powerful a decision is when fewer than half the Supreme Court justices made the decision.

Justices still may disqualify themselves from hearing a case

because of Appeals Court experiences, Hoag said, but they will not be forced to.

"An appeals court is a far different thing than a trial court," said Hoag, who emphasized that justices who heard a case in a lower trial court cannot hear it before the Supreme Court.

"If that could be done, the citizens' right to appeal would be considerably reduced, because a judge who participated in a judgment on the case would now be sitting on the bench during the appeal," he said.

Three current justices — Thomas G. Kavanagh, John Fitzgerald and Charles Levin — are former Appeals Court judges, though all but Levin

have been off the Appeals Court for several years.

Few cases are likely to come before the Supreme Court that any of the three had participated in before, Hoag said.

Already justices may disqualify themselves if a relative is a party to the suit or an attorney for either party, or if the suit involves a city or county

in which the justice lived, Hoag said.

The opinion of Justice James Ryan, appointed this month to the Supreme Court to fill John Swainson's empty seat, will most likely be missing from several forthcoming decisions because he missed early arguments on the cases.

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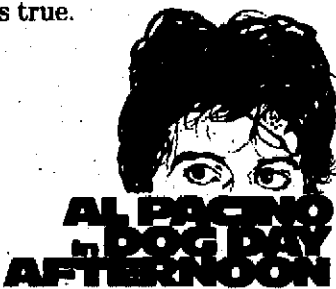
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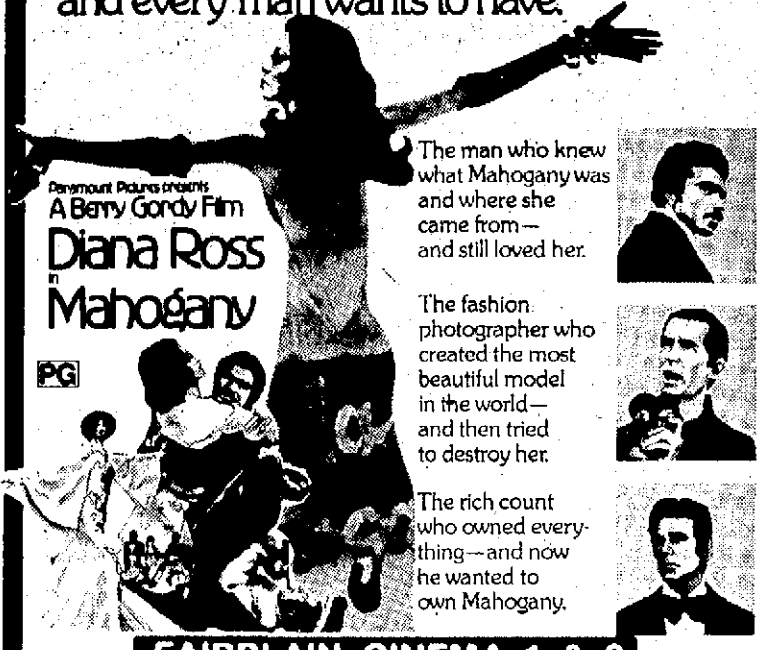


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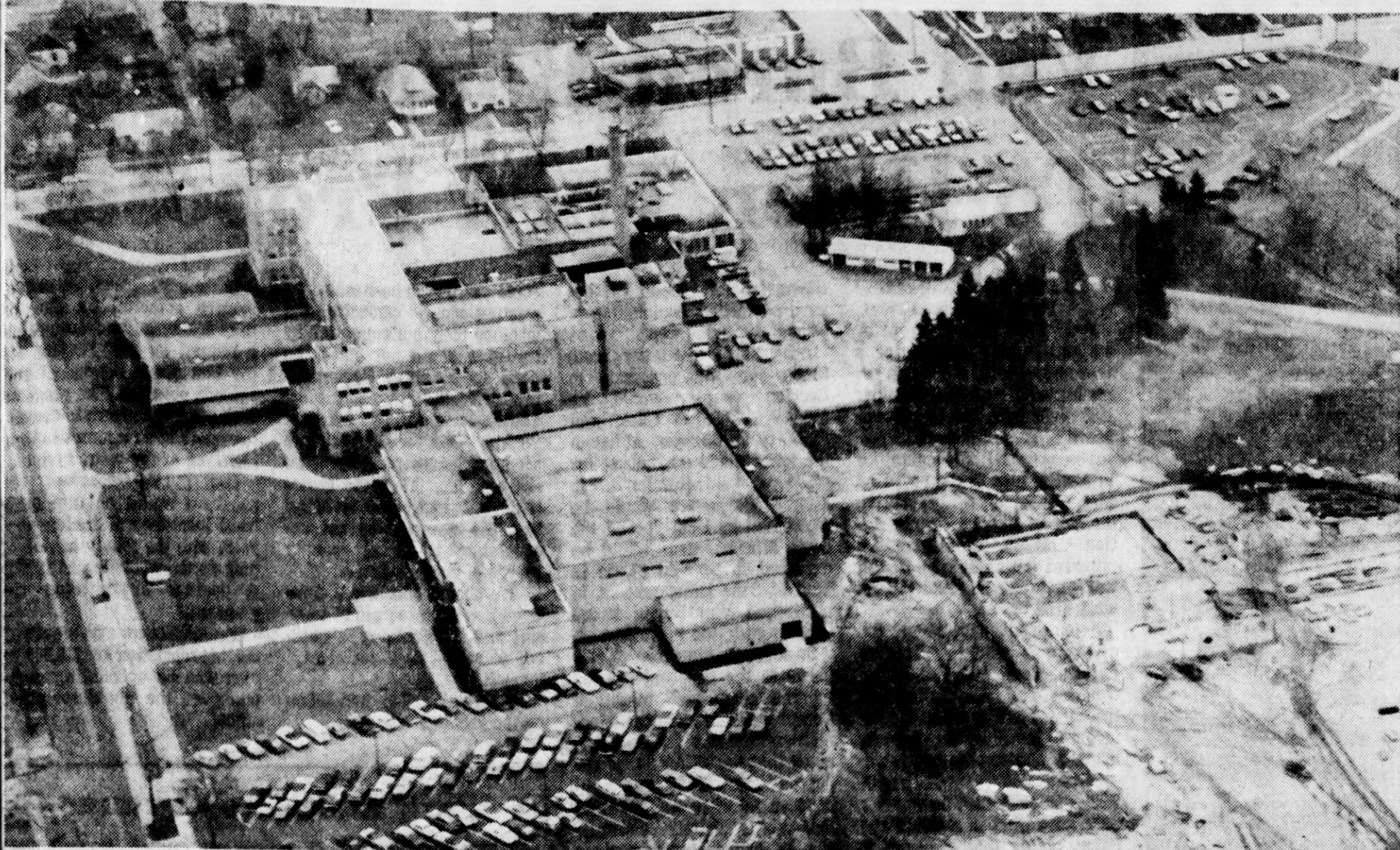
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Nation Facing Fiscal Disaster

By TOM RENNER

South Haven Correspondent
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The congressman observed that the current Congress has injected itself in foreign policy more than in the past. He pointed to the arms embargo to Turkey, the authorization of placing observers in the Middle East and the recent Angola controversy.

Reflecting on Angola, Hutchinson said: "It is unfortunate that great powers of the world feel it necessary to take sides in a civil war within a

country. After our experience in Vietnam there is a deep reluctance to allow the U.S. to involve itself in other peoples' wars. Basically, I am satisfied that people of the U.S. do not want to involve themselves in other peoples' wars and that certainly is my feeling too."

Hutchinson offered comments on several pending or recently approved pieces of legislation.

He called a bill giving Americans who live permanently in a foreign country the right to vote for federal officers a "terrible mistake". "This action flies in the face of our fundamental system of government; mainly the right of citizens who live in the U.S. to select who will represent them."

He said his mail is running heavily opposed to a proposal allowing people to register to vote by mail.

Hutchinson said he is opposed to legislation requiring election ballots to be printed in any foreign language where more than five per cent of the registered voters of that dialect reside in the community. He said Adrian is the only city in his district that will be affected by the legislation. "This law is

to the extreme of nonsense; census figures show that most persons unable to understand English are also illiterate so it isn't going to make any difference what language their ballot is because they won't understand it anyway."

He predicted the U.S. would soon have a new Commonwealth, the Pacific islands of Marianas. The islands have been a trust territory of the U.S. since after World War II. Action to have the Marianas islands become a commonwealth has passed the House and should have little difficulty in the Senate, according to Hutchinson. He called the recently enacted Energy bill a "disappointment", noting that it doesn't encourage energy production.

In response to a question, Hutchinson said there is no need to make a law limiting the terms of legislators because "voters have the opportunity every two years to consider the effectiveness of their elected officials."

He admitted there is a need to revamp the Social Security system, both to eliminate inequities as well as to assure financial solvency in the future.

Cass Workers Will Punch Time Clocks

CASSOPOLIS — Cass county courthouse and sheriff department hourly-paid employees will be punching time clocks in the near future.

The Cass county board of commissioners approved purchasing two time clocks last night during the board's reconvened December meeting.

The issue was approved by a 7 to 2 vote. Voting against the purchase were commissioners Donald Marlin, Niles, and Kenneth Fox, Cassopolis. Voting for it were commissioners Rexford Clark, Charles Ritter and Charles Sarabyn, Dowagiac; Johnie Federowski, Vandalia; and Steve Toth and Harold Harp, Edwardsburg. Commissioners Robert Power, Marcellus, and Blanche Trout, Union, were absent.

About 50 employees in the sheriff's department, including deputies, and 21 courthouse employees, including clerks, receptionists and other clerical staff office workers will be affected.

Purchase of the time clocks was recommended by the board's labor attorney. Elected officials will not be required to use the time clocks.

One time clock will be put in the courthouse and the other in the sheriff's department, probably sometime in January.

Rules governing the use of the time clocks will be submitted to the board's personnel committee for review and will be acted on at the next regular board meeting Jan. 13.

In other areas, the board requested the entire county social services board and Mrs. Ruth Larson, administrator of Cass county's medical care

facility, to appear at a special board meeting Jan. 2, to review the social services board's budget for 1976 for the facility.

Earlier this month, the board had requested an itemized breakdown, but had not received it as yet, according to Sarabyn, chairman of the county board's finance committee. He did say that he has received a report on operating expenses for the past 11 months.

The board referred to committee a request from the sheriff's department to join the Cass county school employees credit union.

The board approved hiring a fulltime assistant county prosecutor at an annual salary of \$12,500.

Sarabyn reported the board will end up 1975 in the black, with \$580 left in various contingencies.

Weesaw Seniors, Veterans To Get Exemption Help

NEW TROY — Allan Boyd, Weesaw township supervisor, will be at the township hall in New Troy, Saturday, Jan. 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to aid township senior citizens and veterans in obtaining their 1975 tax exemptions.

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Berrien District Court Fines 2 For Car Damage

Two men charged with damaging autos were among seven people sentenced Tuesday in Berrien Fifth District court. And one person was bound over to Circuit court.

Donald J. Tindall, 22, of Gary, Ind., waived examination and was bound over to Circuit court on a charge of uttering and publishing a false \$133 check in New Buffalo Nov. 13, 1974. He continued free on \$1,000 bond.

Sentenced were: Dennis M. Kirkland, 18, of Michigan City, Ind., fine and costs of \$75 and restitution to

Harry Trlin for malicious destruction to property under \$100, a mirror and paint of a car, Dec. 26 in New Buffalo.

James E. Cannon, 26, of 324 South Main street, Watervliet, \$90 or 15 days in jail and restitution of \$130 or an additional 45 days in jail for malicious destruction to property valued under \$100, the windshield of a car possessed by Tom Stevenson, Dec. 30.

Miller's Market, Lincoln township, \$200 for offering packages of chicken, steak and pork for sale that weighed from one to nine per cent less than

indicated on the packages Dec. 23.

Carol A. Labanco, 27, of Chicago, and Jack Zimmerman, 27, of Lincolnwood, Ill., \$70 each for petty larceny of lamps and boxes, and \$70 each for trespassing, Dec. 26 at a New Buffalo township building.

Gonzar L. Holloway, 60, of Three Rivers, 45 days in jail for possession of an unregistered pistol in Eau Claire Dec. 20.

Bruce K. Murphy, 27, of Lakeside, \$50 or 10 days in jail for use of marijuana in New Buffalo Dec. 27.

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Read about their stormy marriage. Find out why they are a constant subject of debate in the House of Commons and why they are a never-ending source of gossip all over England.

Read it Saturday in Family Weekly, a regular feature of The Herald-Palladium.

Education And Recreation South Haven Schedules Winter Programs

By TOM RENNER
South Haven Correspondent
SOUTH HAVEN — The winter schedule of the South Haven community education-recreation program has been announced by director Robert Gabel.

The program is a cooperative effort of the city of South Haven and the South Haven board of education and is designed to provide programs and services to meet the educational, enrichment and recreational needs of all age groups in the South Haven area.

The winter semester of evening adult high school credit courses will begin Jan. 12. Per-

sons wishing to complete their high school education should contact the community education office prior to the start of classes so a program of study can be formulated. The winter semesters will run through April 29.

There will also be an adult basic education program on Monday evening beginning Jan. 12 for those with less than an eighth grade education.

There will be more than 20 enrichment and recreation classes offered adults on a non-credit basis.

The offerings will include reupholstering, beginning and advanced guitar, conversational Spanish, cake decorating, electronics, scuba diving, perspectives on death, off-loom weav-

ing, everyday metrics, drawing from models, basic amateur radio, powder puff mechanics, gourmet cooking, personal typing, home improvement for the layman, women's slimnastics, basic home wiring, real estate, sewing with stretch fabrics, macrame, understanding and communicating with children and use of leaded glass.

Supervised gym for elementary-age children will be held Saturdays beginning Jan. 10 at the Lincoln school. The schedule will be as follows: first graders, 8 a.m.; second, 10 a.m.; third, 11 a.m.; fourth, 12:30 p.m.; fifth, 1:30 p.m. and sixth, 2:30 p.m.

Supervised gym and swimming for seventh and eighth grade students will be Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning

Jan. 20 at the L. C. Mohr high school.

Indoor tennis will be available on the L. C. Mohr high gym Sunday afternoons beginning Jan. 11. Two nets will be set up. Reservations must be made in advance at the community education office. Rental fee will be \$6 an hour.

A variety of enrichment and

recreation programs will be offered elementary-age students including boys and girls basketball, coed track, knitting and crocheting ad' beginning

There will also be swimming lessons at all ability levels on Wednesday nights beginning Feb. 4. Open swimming will be offered Thursday evenings

beginning Jan. 29. Lake Michigan College will offer several college-credit courses beginning the week of Jan. 28. Registration forms should be submitted by Jan. 14.

A brochure describing the winter programs is available at the community education-recreation office at the high school.

Buchanan Masonic Officers

BUCHANAN — Kenneth Geurhart has been elected worshipful master for 1976 of the Buchanan Masonic Lodge 68.

Other officers elected for 1976 include William Barnes, senior warden; Franklin Williams, junior warden; Wayne Castle, treasurer; Roy Knapp, Jr., secretary; Charles Hanover, Jr., senior deacon; William Wantz, junior deacon; Maurice Nelson, senior steward; Carl Ferris, junior steward; Claire McKee, chaplain; and Keith Everman, tiler.

FIRE KILLS FOUR
DETROIT, West Germany (AP) — Fire swept through a home for the aged early Tuesday, killing four of the residents and injuring four others, authorities reported.

MR. TWEEDY

by Ned Riddle



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May and \$362,290 project was completed in November. State funds paid for about 75 per cent of construction and city funds remaining 25 per cent. Contractor was Superior Home Builders, St. Joseph. Camera view is to southeast. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

Customer Flees Without Suit And Stolen Credit Card

Benton township police said a woman fled from a Fairplain Plaza store Tuesday without the man's suit she was buying. She also left behind a credit card that a check revealed was stolen earlier in Muskegon.

Police said the woman picked out a suit, valued at \$187.50, at Rohring's Mens Clothing store and presented a credit card for payment shortly before 9 p.m. She fled from the store when she

was asked to pick up the card in the store office, police indicated. The card was reported stolen in Muskegon about 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The woman, described as white, about 35 to 40 years of age with red hair, was reported to have driven away in a dark green small car.

A panel truck, two citizens' band radios and \$150 in change were reported stolen in four thefts investigated Tuesday by Benton Harbor and Benton township police.

Henry V. Manuel, route 2, Paw Paw, told Benton Harbor police his 1960 white Ford truck, valued at \$400, was taken from where it was left parked in the 500 block of North Stevens street. City police also investigated the theft of a CB radio, valued at \$150, from the truck of William Bean, 1567 Union

street, Fairplain, parked in a lot on Riverview drive.

Thefts reported to township police were:

—A bank with \$150 in change and a pellet gun from the home of Annie Veith, 1740 Union street, Fairplain.

—A citizens' band radio, valued at \$90, from the car of Diane Shull, 1416 Britain avenue, parked in a lot in the 1900 block of M-139.

A Benton Harbor man told city police Tuesday he was robbed of his wallet containing \$87 by three men who jumped him at the corner of Fifth and East Main streets.

Thomas Lewis, 247 Jefferson court, who was not injured, said the three fled in a blue car after the incident shortly after 11 p.m. Police reported Lewis as unable to give a description of the assailants.



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Van Buren Board 'Cold' To Helen Ford Proposal

By DENNIS COGSWELL
Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — A proposal by an anti-poverty agency for a tri-county health education organization drew a cold shoulder last night from the Van Buren board of commissioners.

The proposal was contained in a letter sent to the board by Mrs. Helen Ford, executive director of Berrien County Action (BCA), outlining a program designated as Health Education and Referral to Services (HEARTS).

As outlined in the letter, the program would involve Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren counties and would use outreach workers to educate low-income families on health, hygiene, and disease control.

Commission Chairman Walter Stickels said he was not quite sure what to make of the letter, noting that although it was dated Dec. 2, it said BCA was already looking to begin working on the project in the month of December. At the same time, the letter called for the reactions of commissioners before the proposal was submitted.

Stickels also noted that the letter said HEARTS would be funded by Michigan funds

designated for Region IV, but gave no further explanation of what those funds were.

According to the letter, state funds for the program to Berrien county would be \$16,998; \$4,098 to Cass; and \$6,683 to Van Buren. Although the letter made no request for funds, it said Berrien's "in kind" local share would be \$5,666 and its local "cash" the same amount. Cass would be expected to provide \$1,356 in kind and the same amount in cash, and Van Buren \$2,228 each in cash and in kind.

Stickels, reading from a response to the proposal drafted by the Southwest Michigan Comprehensive Health Planning commission (Region IV), noted that the BCA's letter appeared to be "an announcement after the fact" and that some county commissioners had had no previous information on it at all.

The Region IV statement also said the BCA letter offered explanation as to the source of the matching funds and questioned the wisdom of using teenagers to disseminate information on diseases as proposed in the plan.

It also questioned whether the services proposed by BCA

could not better be handled by existing county agencies, and whether planning called for by the plan could not better be done by existing Region IV professionals.

Stickels said he did not "blame" BCA for attempting to set up a health program if no one else has taken the initiative, but expressed concern that the agency was not accountable to local county boards of commissioners.

"We should consider a community action program of some sort and if something is needed, we should do it ourselves," he said.

No formal action was taken on the request.

In other areas, commissioners referred to the administrative affairs committee a request for 1976 funding for the Van Buren Juvenile Court Friends program. The program uses adult volunteers to counsel teenagers in an attempt to keep them out of the court system.

The \$50,000 cost of the program would be met on a 50-50 local-federal match next year, with the county having to pick up the whole tab in 1977 if it decides to continue the program.

Commissioners also approved the appropriation of \$10,500 to purchase an accounting computer for the tax description office.

'Pure' Labels To Continue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers will continue to see labels claiming that meat products such as sausage and lard are "pure" for another six months, despite the government's Jan. 1 deadline for removing them from retail shelves. The additional time is being granted processors by the Agriculture Department, which contends it would be a financial hardship on companies if they were required to destroy millions of unused labels by the deadline. Nearly two years ago, a more stringent labeling requirement was forced on the department by a federal court. The court ruled in favor of a consumer group that contended hot dogs called "all beef" or "100 per cent" of something or "pure" were mislabeled if they contained more than one ingredient.

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"We can't go on this way. We must strike a balance between income and outgo or the day will come when creditors will call a halt," he said.

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power that others don't, the power to print its own money.

The congressman observed that the current Congress has injected itself in foreign policy more than in the past. He pointed to the arms embargo to Turkey, the authorization of placing observers in the Middle East and the recent Angola controversy.

Reflecting on Angola, Hutchinson said: "It is unfortunate that great powers of the world feel it necessary to take sides in a civil war within a

country. After our experience in Vietnam there is a deep reluctance to allow the U.S. to involve itself in other peoples' wars. Basically, I am satisfied that people of the U.S. do not want to involve themselves in other peoples' wars and that certainly is my feeling too."

Hutchinson offered comments on several pending or recently approved pieces of legislation.

He called a bill giving Americans who live permanently in a foreign country the right to vote for federal officers a "terrible mistake." "This action flies in the face of our fundamental system of government; mainly the right of citizens who live in the U.S. to select who will represent them."

He said his mail is running heavily opposed to a proposal allowing people to register to vote by mail.

Hutchinson said he is opposed to legislation requiring election ballots to be printed in any foreign language where more than five per cent of the registered voters of that dialect reside in the community. He said Adrian is the only city in his district that will be affected by the legislation. "This law is

to the extreme of nonsense; census figures show that most persons unable to understand English are also illiterate so it isn't going to make any difference what language their ballot is because they won't understand it anyway."

He predicted the U.S. would soon have a new Commonwealth, the Pacific Islands of Marianas. The islands have been a trust territory of the U.S. since after World War II. Action to have the Marianas islands become a commonwealth has passed the House and should have little difficulty in the Senate, according to Hutchinson. He called the recently enacted Energy bill a "disappointment," noting that it doesn't encourage energy production.

In response to a question, Hutchinson said there is no need to make a law limiting the terms of legislators because "voters have the opportunity every two years to consider the effectiveness of their elected officials."

He admitted there is a need to revamp the Social Security system, both to eliminate inequities as well as to assure financial solvency in the future.

Berrien District Court Fines 2 For Car Damage

Two men charged with damaging autos were among seven people sentenced Tuesday in Berrien District Court. And one person was bound over to Circuit court.

Donald J. Tindall, 22, of Gary, Ind., waived examination and was bound over to Circuit court on a charge of uttering and publishing a false \$133 check in New Buffalo Nov. 13, 1974. He continued free on \$1,000 bond.

Sentenced were:

Dennis M. Kirkland, 18, of Michigan City, Ind., fine and costs of \$75 and restitution to

Harry Trlin for malicious destruction to property under \$100, a mirror and paint of a car, Dec. 26 in New Buffalo.

James E. Cannon, 26, of 324 South Main street, Watervliet, \$80 or 15 days in jail and restitution of \$130 or an additional 45 days in jail for malicious destruction to property valued under \$100, the windshield of a car possessed by Tom Stevenson, Dec. 30.

Miller's Market, Lincoln township, \$200 for offering packages of chicken, steak and pork for sale that weighed from one to nine per cent less than

indicated on the packages Dec. 23.

Carol A. Labanco, 27, of Chicago, and Jack Zimmerman, 27, of Lincolnwood, Ill., \$70 each for petty larceny of lamps and boxes, and \$70 each for trespassing, Dec. 26 at a New Buffalo township building.

Gonzar L. Holloway, 60, of Three Rivers, 45 days in jail for possession of an unregistered pistol in Eau Claire Dec. 20.

Bruce K. Murphy, 27, of Lakeside, \$50 or 10 days in jail for use of marijuana in New Buffalo Dec. 27.

Cass Workers Will Punch Time Clocks

CASSOPOLIS — Cass county courthouse and sheriff department hourly-paid employees will be punching time clocks in the near future.

The Cass county board of commissioners approved purchasing two time clocks last night during the board's reconvened December meeting.

The issue was approved by a 7 to 2 vote. Voting against the purchase were commissioners Donald Marlin, Niles, and Kenneth Fox, Cassopolis. Voting for it were commissioners Rexford Clark, Charles Ritter and Charles Sarabyn, Dowagiac; Johnnie Rodebush, Niles; Marjorie Federowski, Vandalia; and Steve Toth and Harold Harp, Edwardsburg. Commissioners Robert Power, Marcellus, and Blanche Trout, Union, were absent.

About 50 employees in the sheriff's department, including deputies, and 21 courthouse employees, including clerks, receptionists and other clerical staff office workers will be affected.

Purchase of the time clocks was recommended by the board's labor attorney. Elected officials will not be required to use the time clocks.

One time clock will be put in the courthouse and the other in the sheriff's department, probably sometime in January.

Rules governing the use of the time clocks will be submitted to the board's personnel committee for review and will be acted on at the next regular board meeting Jan. 13.

In other areas, the board requested the entire county social services board and Mrs. Ruth Larson, administrator of Cass county's medical care

facility, to appear at a special board meeting Jan. 2, to review the social services board's budget for 1976 for the facility.

Earlier this month, the board had requested an itemized breakdown, but had not received it as yet, according to Sarabyn, chairman of the county board's finance committee. He did say that he has received a report on operating expenses for the past 11 months.

The board referred to committee a request from the sheriff's department to join the Cass county school employees credit union.

The board approved hiring a fulltime assistant county prosecutor at an annual salary of \$12,500.

Sarabyn reported the board will end up 1975 in the black, with \$580 left in various contingencies.

Weesaw Seniors Veterans To Get Exemption Help

NEW TROY — Allan Boyd, Weesaw township supervisor, will be at the township hall in New Troy, Saturday, Jan. 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to aid township senior citizens and veterans in obtaining their 1975 tax exemptions.

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Report Says More Cubans In Angola

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. intelligence sources estimate there are now about 7,500 Cuban soldiers in Angola supporting Soviet-backed forces fighting for control of that West African country.

The increase suggests that the Cuban military commitment in Angola is growing steadily. Last week, U.S. officials were using a figure of about 6,000 Cuban troops there.

One unconfirmed report Tuesday said that a Cuban tank brigade may have arrived in Angola. If so, officials said that would represent the first commitment of a major unit of the Cuban army.

Meanwhile, intelligence sources said Tuesday that three more top Cuban officials have been identified in Angola.

They are Fernando Vecimo, a vice minister in the Cuban ministry of the armed forces; Luis Alfonso Ochoa, a member of the Cuban Communist party's Central Committee; and Jorge Risquel, a member of the party's secretariat.

Last month, U.S. intelligence said Brigadier Gen. Julio Casas apparently was helping the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) handle military equipment supplied by the Russians. Casas was said to be a close associate of Fidel Castro.

Castro has openly acknowledged his military support of the Marxist MPLA. President Ford has said the Cuban action in Angola has "destroyed any opportunity for improvement in relations" between Cuba and the United States.

Since Ford made this statement, additional Cuban airlift flights reportedly have arrived in Angola. At least three Cuban planes have been serviced at Portugal's Azores Islands en route to Africa.

Cuba had been refueling its Angola-bound planes at Barbados in the Caribbean, but the Barbados government ordered this stopped after the United

States registered its displeasure. U.S. officials had anticipated that Guyana's leftist government might allow the Cuban airlift to refuel in that South American country. So far, U.S. intelligence says, that apparently has not happened.

The Russian airlift of weapons and other military supplies to the MPLA is still moving with more than 40 plane loads delivered so far, intelligence sources said. The Soviet planes, mostly huge AN22 transports, were said to refuel in Algeria and Guinea on their long flights from Russia.

U.S. intelligence sources say they have not yet been able to confirm reports that Russian MIG jet fighters and helicopters have been introduced into the Angola war. Some officials believe the MPLA may have used trainer planes and French-made helicopters left behind by the Portuguese and that these were mistaken by African informants for Soviet aircraft.



HEADS LODGE: Hardie Stewart has been elected worshipful master of Prince Hall Harbor Masonic Lodge 15, Benton Harbor. Other officers: Otis Clark, senior warden; Francis Wright, junior warden; Kersey Barnes, secretary; Roosevelt Weakley, treasurer; Joshua Cooper, senior deacon; Craig Johnson, junior deacon; Ed Sayles and William Watson, stewards; William Nance, trustee; John McPike, marshal; and James Means, publicity.

23 CENTS BY 1980? More Postal Hikes Seen

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cost of mailing a letter went up from 10 to 13 cents today, the sixth increase in the last 17 years. And the steady increase in postal rates is unlikely to end there.

Postmaster General Benjamin F. Bailar has said the letter rate could go up to 15 or 17 cents by 1977 and 23 cents by 1980. Bailar says inflation in the general economy is responsible for rising mail rates.

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger refused to block the higher rates on Tuesday, less than six hours before they went into effect at 12:01 a.m. today.

Burger turned down a request from bulk mailers to reverse Monday's U.S. Court of Appeals decision which cleared the way for the increase. The appeals court stayed a lower court order prohibiting the Postal Service from raising rates.

It is possible that the appeals court will order a rollback in rates after a hearing on whether the procedures for increasing postal rates were complied with.

Former Postmaster General J. Edward Day, representing the bulk mailers, told Burger that most mail users could never collect any refunds if the increase is overturned.

"It will be impracticable for rank-and-file mail users to receive refunds of the illegally exacted postage," Day argued.

In a brief order, Burger refused to block the increase. He gave no reason.

The new rates include:

—A 13-cent charge for the first ounce of a first-class letter and 11 cents for each additional ounce.

—Nine cents for a postcard, a two-cent increase.

—Hikes averaging 10.1 per cent in parcel post, 22.1 per cent for second-class mail and 23.9 per cent for third-class bulk rates.

Despite the increase, postal officials expect the largest deficit in the history of the Postal Service during the current fiscal year. Under the old rates, the service was losing an

average of about \$7 million per day since the fiscal year began July 1.

The main reason for the higher rates is increases in labor costs, which account for 85 per cent of the Postal Service's costs. The labor costs go up with the inflation rate in the general economy because of a cost-of-living clause in the labor agreement with the postal unions.

Bailar has called for an increase in the congressional subsidy for the Postal Service, which would reduce the pressure for rate increases. However, the House voted down such a proposal in October.

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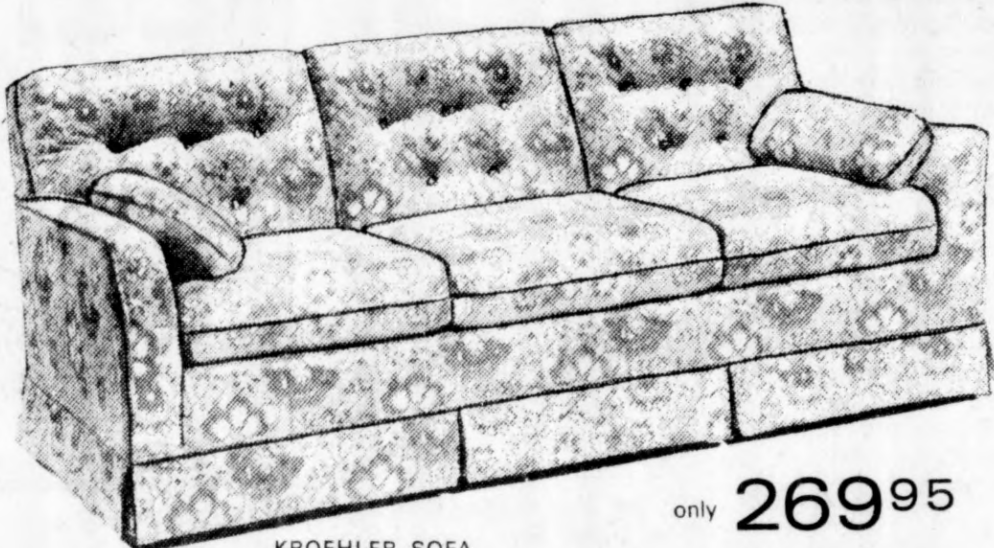
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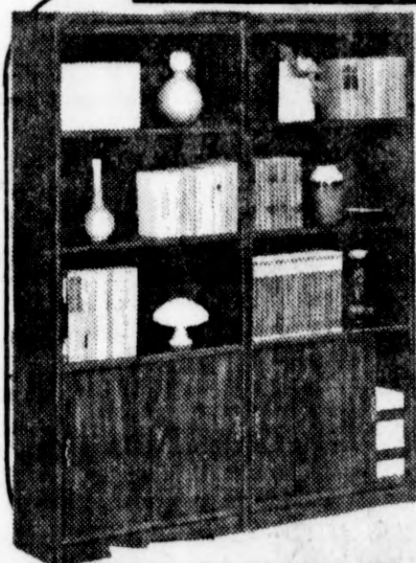


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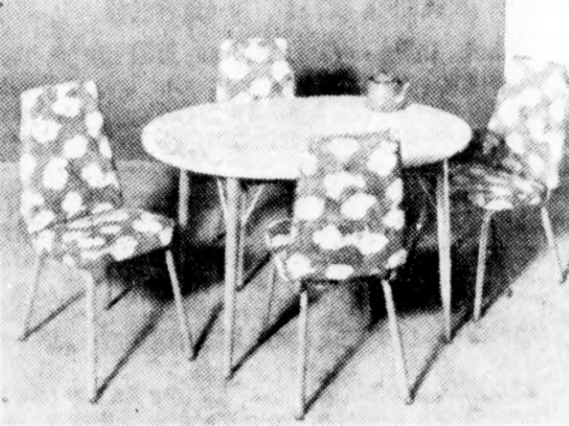
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The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Forrest H. Kester:

George Alexander Hook, 18, Benton Harbor, and Sheryl Jean Forrest, 19, Coloma.

Richard Erwin Peters, 32, and Betty Louise Wise, 22, both of New Buffalo.

Gregg Blanchard, 19, and Kim Lorraine Hendren, 19, both of St. Joseph.

Rodger Gail Napier, 23, Holland, and Mary Katherine Berry, 23, Benton Harbor.

Richard Keith Scherer, 19, Luling, La., and Rebecca Sue Ashworth, 18, St. Joseph.

Lawrence Masons Elect Officers

LAWRENCE — Roscoe Benedict was recently elected worshipful master of the Rising Sun Masonic lodge here.

Other officers elected included Robert Austin, senior warden; Harry Flagel, junior warden; Clare Herriman, treasurer; Clarence Mott, secretary; William Colgren Jr., senior deacon; Richard Simon, junior deacon; and Harry Dillenbeck, tiler.



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NEW BRIDGE IN 1975: Among developments in New Buffalo in 1975 was construction of new Whittaker street bridge (right foreground). New bridge across Galien river replaces narrow span that was over 50 years old. Bids on bridge construction were taken in

May and \$362,290 project was completed in November. State funds paid for about 75 per cent of construction and city funds remaining 25 per cent. Contractor was Superior Home Builders, St. Joseph. Camera view is to southeast. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

Customer Flees Without Suit And Stolen Credit Card

Benton township police said a woman fled from a Fairplain Plaza store Tuesday without the man's suit she was buying. She also left behind a credit card that a check revealed was stolen earlier in Muskegon.

Police said the woman picked out a suit, valued at \$187.50, at Rohring's Mens Clothing store and presented a credit card for payment shortly before 9 p.m. She fled from the store when she

was asked to pick up the card in the store office, police indicated. The card was reported stolen in Muskegon about 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The woman, described as white, about 35 to 40 years of age with red hair, was reported to have driven away in a dark green small car.

A panel truck, two citizens' band radios and \$150 in change were reported stolen in four thefts investigated Tuesday by Benton Harbor and Benton township police.

Henry V. Manuel, route 2, Paw Paw, told Benton Harbor police his 1960 white Ford truck, valued at \$400, was taken from where it was left parked in the 500 block of North Stevens street. City police also investigated the theft of a CB radio, valued at \$150, from the truck of William Bean, 1567 Union

street, Fairplain, parked in a lot on Riverview drive.

Thefts reported to township police were:

—A bank with \$150 in change and a pellet gun from the home of Annie Voith, 1740 Union street, Fairplain.

—A citizens' band radio, valued at \$80, from the car of Diane Shull, 1418 Britain avenue, parked in a lot in the 1900 block of M-139.

A Benton Harbor man told city police Tuesday he was robbed of his wallet containing \$87 by three men who jumped him at the corner of Fifth and East Main streets.

Thomas Lewis, 247 Jefferson court, who was not injured, said the three fled in a blue car after the incident shortly after 11 p.m. Police reported Lewis as unable to give a description of the assailants.



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Van Buren Board 'Cold' To Helen Ford Proposal

By DENNIS COGSWELL

Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — A proposal by an anti-poverty agency for a tri-county health education organization drew a cold shoulder last night from the Van Buren board of commissioners.

The proposal was contained in a letter sent to the board by Mrs. Helen Ford, executive director of Berrien County Action, (BCA), outlining a program designated as Health Education and Referral to Services (HEARTS).

As outlined in the letter, the program would involve Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren counties, and would use outreach workers to educate low-income families on health, hygiene, and disease control.

Commission Chairman Walter Sticksels said he was not quite sure what to make of the letter, noting that although it was dated Dec. 2, it said BCA was already looking to begin working on the project in the month of December. At the same time, the letter called for the reactions of commissioners before the proposal was submitted.

Sticksels also noted that the letter said HEARTS would be funded by Michigan funds

designated for Region IV, but gave no further explanation of what those funds were.

According to the letter, state funds for the program to Berrien county would be \$16,998; \$4,098 to Cass; and \$6,683 to Van Buren. Although the letter made no request for funds, it said Berrien's "in kind" local share would be \$5,666 and its local "cash" the same amount. Cass would be expected to provide \$1,356 in kind and the same amount in cash, and Van Buren \$2,238 each in cash and in kind.

Sticksels, reading from a response to the proposal drafted by the Southwest Michigan Comprehensive Health Planning commission (Region IV), noted that the BCA's letter appeared to be "an announcement after the fact" and that some county commissioners had had no previous information on it at all.

The Region IV statement also said the BCA letter offered explanation as to the source of the matching funds and questioned the wisdom of using teenagers to disseminate information on diseases as proposed in the plan.

It also questioned whether the services proposed by BCA

could not better be handled by existing county agencies, and whether planning called for by the plan could not better be done by existing Region IV professionals.

Sticksels said he did not "blame" BCA for attempting to set up a health program if no one else has taken the initiative, but expressed concern that the agency was not accountable to local county boards of commissioners.

"We should consider a community action program of some sort and if something is needed, we should do it ourselves," he said.

No formal action was taken on the request.

In other areas, commissioners referred to the administrative affairs committee a request for 1976 funding for the Van Buren Juvenile Court Friends program. The program uses adult volunteers to counsel teenagers in an attempt to keep them out of the court system.

The \$50,000 cost of the program would be met on a 50-50 local-federal match next year, with the county having to pick up the whole tab in 1977 if it decides to continue the program.

Commissioners also approved the appropriation of \$10,500 to purchase an accounting computer for the tax description office.

'Pure' Labels To Continue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers will continue to see labels claiming that meat products such as sausage and lard are "pure" for another six months, despite the government's Jan. 1 deadline for removing them from retail shelves. The additional time is being granted processors by the Agriculture Department, which contends it would be a financial hardship on companies if they were required to destroy millions of unused labels by the deadline. Nearly two years ago, a more stringent labeling requirement was forced on the department by a federal court. The court ruled in favor of a consumer group that contended hot dogs called "all beef" or "100 per cent" of something or "pure" were mislabeled if they contained more than one ingredient.

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Tenure Board's Order Challenged In Covert Appeal

By DENNIS COGSWELL
Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — The Covert school board yesterday filed an appeal in Van Buren circuit court challenging a state teacher tenure commission order that the board reinstate a teacher it fired in December, 1974.

The tenure commission ordered Nov. 10 that mathematics teacher Ernest Ferrell, 29, be reinstated with full back pay because the board did not post a public notice prior to a meeting Dec. 9, 1974, in which he was dismissed.

In its appeal, the board said there is no requirement in the state teacher tenure law that special notice be given of a meeting in which a tenure proceeding decision is to be made.

The fact that a decision was reached at a meeting in which there had been no notice to the public, in no way deprived Ferrell of due process, the appeal said. It noted that after electing to hold private hearings, he could not ask that only a portion of the proceeding be made public.

The appeal also says that the tenure commission ordered all back pay reinstated even though

counsel for both parties had agreed at a May 1 tenure commission hearing that any pay would be set by mutual stipulation.

The appeal asked that the case be remanded back to the tenure commission to be decided on the merits on whether there was reasonable cause for termination. Ferrell was arrested on June 28, 1974, and charged with larceny in a building in connection with the theft of a 10-speed bicycle in South Haven.

He pleaded innocent to the charge in Van Buren circuit court on Aug. 12, 1974, and the board filed tenure charges on Oct. 14, 1974.

Following hearings on Nov. 18, 20 and 26, the board voted Dec. 9, 1974, to terminate his contract.

The larceny charge was remanded back to Seventh District court on Jan. 13 of this year. Ferrell pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of conspiracy to receive stolen property. On March 13, he was assessed a fine and costs of \$154. Ferrell's dismissal was made because of the charge against him, according to Supt. William Randall.



SNOWBIRD: Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis smiles for photographers amid heavy snowfall Tuesday at Snowbird, Utah, ski resort in the Wasatch Mountains east of Salt Lake City. Mrs. Onassis appeared briefly at the bottom of a ski run after Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., skied down with his family. Mrs. Onassis paused for photographs for about a minute, then returned to a waiting automobile after answering only one question from reporters. "Beautiful," she responded, when asked how she liked the snow. (AP Wirephoto)

New Buffalo Woman's Will Filed

Probate proceedings have been initiated in Berrien Probate court on the estimated \$50,000 estate of Mrs. Louise Wolf, of New Buffalo.

Mrs. Wolf, 79, of 108 South Norton street, died Nov. 29 in Union Pier.

Her 1975 will bequeaths that \$50,000 worth of personal property be divided equally among her sisters, Anna Christopher, of New Buffalo and Magdalene Jacoby, of Wisconsin; her brothers, David Hetzel, of New Buffalo, and John, Ervin, Edward, and Alvin Hetzel, all of Wisconsin; a brother-in-law, Herbert Christopher, of New Buffalo; and a niece, Sandra Snyder, of Indiana.

Ford Office Target Of Burglars

WASHINGTON (AP) — An attempted break-in today at offices used by President Ford's campaign committee apparently was unsuccessful, District of Columbia police said.

Molding around a door to offices used by the committee's advertising and media workers showed signs of tampering, and a burglar alarm had been tripped, police said.

The offices, on the 10th floor of a downtown office building, apparently were not entered and nothing appeared to be missing, a committee staff member said.

Police said a search of the building failed to turn up anyone.

Michigan Man Killed

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A 32-year-old Ovid man, Donald Dierkes, has been killed in a plane crash near here, officials report.

Dierkes died Sunday when his light plane crashed into a hillside south of here in inclement weather but his body was not identified until Tuesday because it was badly burned, officials said.

Cuban Living Takes A Turn For The Better

MIAMI (AP) — A small number of Cubans now drive around in Fords. Those who aren't as lucky can ride in plush new British buses. Others are looking forward to a new imported television set or icebox.

These are all signs of a steadily improving economic outlook — after many years of privation — for the eight million people in their 17th year of Fidel Castro's rule.

The Caribbean island's prospects appear brighter now than ever before.

OBITUARIES

Roy Lee Ray

Roy Lee Ray, 52, 548 Territorial road, Benton Harbor, died Tuesday evening in Mercy hospital, following an illness of two years.

Mr. Ray was born April 22, 1923, in Portageville, Mo., and was formerly employed at Bendix Corporation.

Surviving is a daughter, Miss Ruby Ray and his mother, Mrs. Gertrude Ray, both of Benton Harbor; three sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Robinson, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Nicular Johnson and Mrs. Aslee Heard and three brothers, Charlie Ray, Jessie Ray and J. C. Ray, all of Benton Harbor.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this forenoon at Robbins Brothers funeral home.

Mrs. Olga Steinke

Mrs. Olga Marie Steinke, 85, 118 Delaware, Benton Harbor, died at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday in Mercy hospital.

She was born May 23, 1890 in Russia.

Surviving are a son, Leonard Steinke, Benton Harbor; two daughters, Mrs. Howard (Adelaide) Chrest, Grand Rapids and Mrs. Robert (Adelgunde) Kuehl Sr., Coloma; a sister, Mrs. Mary Priebe and a brother Rudolph Court, both of Benton Harbor. Her husband Adolph preceded her in death in 1954.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in St. Matthews Lutheran church, of which she was a member. Burial will be in Coloma cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. today in Kerley and Starks funeral home, St. Joseph.

The family will receive friends in the funeral home from 7 until 9 p.m. tonight and on Thursday from 2 until 4 and 7 until 9 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the church fund.

Lochaby Rites Set

HARTFORD — Funeral services for Francis V. Lochaby, 84, Route 1, Hartford, who died Monday, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in Calvin funeral home, Hartford. Burial will be in Maple Hill cemetery, Hartford.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 this evening.

Mr. Lochaby had been employed at the Dean Foster Farms for 34 years, retiring in 1972.

Surviving are his widow, the former Ruth Bell Hilton; two sons, Roy Lochaby, Hiawasse, Ga., and Marvin Stone, Hartford; six daughters, Mrs. Eugene (Edna) Crane, Cleveland, Ga.; Mrs. Vaughn (Ettie) Colman, Mount Airy, Ga.; Mrs. Leander (Raye) Owens, Hiawasse, Ga.; Mrs. Ruth Platt, Ducula, Ga.; Mrs. Oscar (Mildred) Chambers, Hartford and Mrs. Hurschel (Olen) Dean, Hornersville, Mo.; a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Corn, Ducula and two brothers, Marion, Gainesville, Ga., and Lucius of Murphy, N.C.

Purnell Rites Set

Funeral services for Cole Purnell, 71, 731 East Britain, Benton Harbor, who died Tuesday, will be held at 1 p.m. Friday in Hopewell Baptist church. Burial will be in Crystal Springs cemetery.

Friends may call at Robbins Brothers funeral home after noon Thursday.

Mrs. Marlene Ferguson

COLOMA — Coloma township police reported early today that the body of Mrs. Marlene Ferguson, 29, 5118 Riverview, Coloma, was found in a car parked in the family garage last night.

Officer Thomas LaVanway said the victim's husband, Ernest, and a friend who was with him found the body when they arrived at the house about 7:20 p.m.

According to LaVanway, the death had been ruled a suicide by Dr. William Benner, chief Berrien county medical examiner, who had been called to the garage by police. Fumes from the car's exhaust were believed to have caused the death, LaVanway said.

Mrs. Ferguson was born Aug. 14, 1946.

Survivors include her husband, Ernest; two children, Sean and Jenny at home; a brother, John Barricklow with the United States Air force in Seoul, Korea; her mother, Mrs. Jack Blackmer of Battle Creek; and her father, Howard Barricklow of Clinton.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this morning at the Davidson funeral home, Coloma.

Mrs. Angelo DePalma

Mrs. Angelo (Vivian Gant) DePalma, 58, Palm Springs, Fla., formerly of Benton Harbor, died Monday in the Palm Springs hospital.

Surviving is her husband. Funeral services and burial will be held in Palm Springs.

Evans Rites Set

HARTFORD — Funeral services for Mrs. Maxine Ward Evans, 47, 36 West South street, who was killed Monday in a two-car, head-on collision, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Calvin funeral home, Hartford.

Friends may call at the funeral home.

Thomas Darling Sr.

SOUTH HAVEN — Thomas Darling Sr., 91, route 1, South Haven, died this morning at South Haven Community hospital.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this morning at the Calvin funeral home, South Haven.

LaGuardia Newcomers Are Skittish

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Chief of Detectives Louis Cottrell.

The nervousness was clear to anyone in the airport as the first planes arrived. Several passengers asked a reporter why he was interviewing them, when "you don't have to be here."

Barbara Teschendorf, 21, of Greenville, S.C., said she was irate when she learned her plane would land at La Guardia instead of Kennedy as scheduled.

"When I bought my ticket, I insisted I go to Kennedy because I read about the bombings," she said. "It's absurd, I'm frightened silly. We're just human guinea pigs."

Little more than an hour after first plane landed, the airport was virtually deserted again as air traffic dropped for the night.

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates the airport, announced that the 25-cent lockers, where the bomb was secreted, would be closed to the public indefinitely.

As flight schedules were resumed, workmen were feverishly putting up plywood over blown out windows and painting the blast area to cover as much of the damage as possible. The panels were painted light green and soon looked like concrete walls that had always been there.

An American Airlines freight division employee, Charles Termini, 32, of Brooklyn, said of coming back to work Tuesday night, "It was a little bit of a nightmare to think of what happened."

A colleague, Thomas Gianquinto, 30, of Queens, recalled their worries Monday night over an unfounded report that a bomb had been planted at American's facility.

"I don't mind coming back," he said, "but it's a little close for comfort."

More CIA Names To Be Printed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A co-editor of the magazine "Counterparty" says the publication is not responsible for the death of Richard S. Welch and plans to print the names of about 70 other CIA agents in an upcoming edition.

Co-editor Doug Porter said the CIA agents' names will be picked up from newspapers in France, Sweden and Angola. He said about 60 names are to be published next week by the newspaper, Liberation in France.

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Quake Flattens Greek Villages

PATRAS, Greece (AP) — An earthquake jolted western Greece today, causing heavy damage to towns and villages, but there were no immediate reports of deaths or serious injuries, police said.

Most of the damage was reported south of Lake Trikonis and Messolonghi. The villages of Ano and Kato Makrinou were said to be leveled. About 1,500 persons live in these two villages.

Hundreds of homes were reported damaged in other nearby villages, leaving several thousand persons homeless.

Power lines collapsed, cutting off regular communications, but police said they were in radio contact with the worst-hit area.

Police said the quake registered 5.8 on the Richter scale, which measures ground motion as recorded on seismographs. A quake registering 6 on the Richter is capable of severe damage.

The earthquake, which followed three light tremors, rolled through the area for about 25 seconds and sent residents of this city fleeing their homes and offices.

Three old houses in the center of Patras collapsed in a heap of dust. Cars parked nearby were damaged, but no one was reported hurt.

Hundreds of buildings in the Navpaktos and Aitolikon areas were damaged as balconies fell in a heap of rubble and walls and windows cracked.

The government immediately began dispatching tents, blankets and medicine to the stricken area.

One woman was reported injured by falling debris in a village near Nafpaktos in which nearly all the buildings sustained damage.

The epicenter was reported in the province of Aitolokarnanias, about 105 miles northwest of Athens.



HANDSOME: Massa, the world's oldest captive gorilla, has solemn expression as he glares at photographers while celebrating his 45th birthday in his cage at the Philadelphia Zoo Tuesday. According to zoo officials gorillas age at about the same rate as humans. (AP Wirephoto)

SJ Firemen Return To Apartments

For the second day in a row and fourth time in a month St. Joseph firemen were called to the Lakeview Estates apartments, 2704 Lake Shore drive, when fire broke out in a trash container.

The fire Tuesday was about 12:30 p.m. in a trash container in an incinerator room. Firefighters took the trash container outside the building and extinguished the flames.

Monday city firemen were called to the same apartment complex for a fire in a trash container in a laundry room. The laundry room and incinerator room are located on the second floor of the same building, according to firemen.

Firemen reported they have responded to two other similar trash fires in the last month at the apartments. All the fires have caused minor damage.

Cause of the fires have not been determined, but city police are investigating.

Portage Man Bound Over In Van Buren

PAW PAW — A Portage man was bound over to Van Buren circuit court Tuesday on charges of manufacturing a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver following Van Buren Seventh district court preliminary examination.

Harold M. Wiseman, 30, was arrested on the charges as a result of a Sept. 30 raid on a Bloomington home which police described as a "drug factory." Quantities of suspected amphetamines were confiscated, police said. He was continued free on personal recognizance bond.

In another case, Albert G. Dietz, 23, 102 Paw Paw street, Paw Paw, was bound over to circuit court following preliminary examination on a charge of larceny in a building. The charge grew out of the theft last July 30 of \$140 from the Glendale Grocery. He was returned to jail under \$8,500 bond.

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2 until 4 and 7 until 9 Thursday

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Terrorists May Be In Libya

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Some or all of the terrorists who attacked the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries may be in Libya now. Authoritative sources report that the Algerian government freed at least five of the six terrorists Tuesday and sent them by plane to a friendly Arab country. Unconfirmed reports said they may have gone to Libya, which has welcomed anti-Israeli hijackers in the past. However, one of the three men the terrorists killed in their attack was a leading member of Libya's OPEC delegation.

Milliken Signs Labeling Bill

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A bill which may lead to electrical appliances sold in Michigan being labeled with the amount of energy they consume was signed Tuesday by Gov. William Milliken. "This law will assist in establishing energy consumption of appliances and provide consumers and utilities with standards to conserve energy," Milliken said. The bill says the appliances would have to carry the labeling if the state Public Service Commission (PSC) ordered it.

Fill Up Before 9 P.M.

You'd better fill your car's tank before 9 p.m. tonight or you may find yourself ringing in the New Year by walking home. A statewide "fuel gauge" survey of 300 stations showed that only one service station in four will be pumping gasoline after 9 p.m. New Year's Eve and less than one in 10 will be open after midnight, according to the Auto Club of Michigan. Motorists who are able to pry themselves away from televised football bowl games should find 64 per cent of the outstate service stations open New Year's Day, the survey showed.

Judge Saves 40 U-D Jobs

DETROIT (AP) — A Wayne County Circuit court judge temporarily has halted firing of 40 University of Detroit faculty members. Judge Joseph Gillis ruling Tuesday barred dismissals U-D had announced earlier this month. The school said the layoffs, coupled with a tuition increase and a bigger recruitment drive for students would help the Jesuit university overcome a \$3 million deficit estimated for the 1976-77 school year.

Bail Hearing Refused

DETROIT (AP) — Stephen Andretta, a New Jersey Teamster who has been jailed for refusing to testify before the grand jury probing the disappearance of James Hoffa, was refused a bail hearing Tuesday. U.S. District Court Judge James Churchill said any motions pertaining to Andretta's case should be heard by Judge Ralph Freeman. Freeman sent the 40-year-old Teamster to prison on contempt charges Dec. 11 after Andretta had been granted immunity from prosecution in return for his testimony.

I-D Applications Delayed

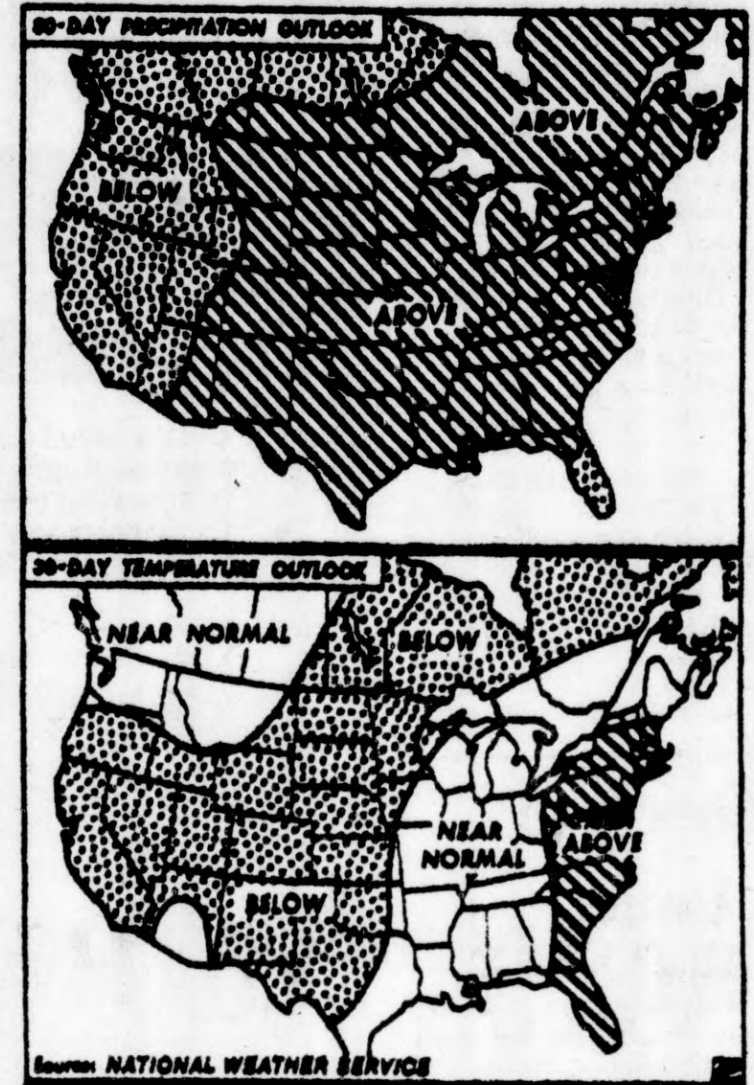
LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The secretary of state's office said Tuesday applications for official identification cards will not be ready until late January or early February. The cards, which cost \$3 each, are intended for residents without driver's licenses or for those who need more identification for business transactions. Responsibility for issuing the cards was transferred by law from the Michigan State Police to the secretary of state's office beginning Thursday, but the cards will not be available from the secretary of state offices until the applications are printed.

Wildlife Fund Bill Vetoed

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Gov. William Milliken on Tuesday vetoed some \$812,000 in state funds for four Upper Peninsula wildlife areas. He also vetoed from the same appropriations bill another \$110,000 for a Detroit riverfront study and for the City of Belleville. He called these funds "special interest grants which conflict with other state program and budget priorities." The \$97 million appropriations bill was the last from the current fiscal year to be approved by the legislature and signed by the governor.

Unique Battle Re-Enacted

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. (AP) — A Yankee bugler struck up his song, a Confederate answered from the other side with a horn and the soldiers sang till dawn, then tried to kill each other. It was 113 years ago today. To mark a unique and bloody battle of the Civil War, the cannons have been firing this week at the Stones River National Battlefield, which is preparing a series of Bicentennial events. The historic Dec. 31, 1862, battle was preceded by the encampment of a Wisconsin unit — 1st Brigade Band, 3rd Division, 15th U.S. Army Corps — along the banks of the river.



THIRTY-DAY FORECAST: This is the precipitation and temperature outlook for the next 30 days for the country, according to the National Weather Service. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Americans Ready For Celebrations

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time," police spokesman Paul Arena said. "But if they're ready, we're ready."

In Cincinnati, New Year's revelers were assured of a good time tonight, but they were not so sure anybody would be around afterward to take out the garbage.

Contracts with city employees — including the police who would patrol tonight's celebrations and the garbage collectors who would clean up afterward — expire at midnight. Talks between Cincinnati and its 975 firemen and 1,178 policemen are stalemated and no new talks were scheduled with either group today.

Cincinnati police voted not to arrest anyone or hand out tickets after midnight, a Fraternal Order of Police official said, but he said they would respond to emergencies.

The fire department has voted to seek binding arbitration or, failing that, petition the Cincinnati City Council directly.

Where more traditional observances are planned, prices have gone up, although some restaurant and hotel operators checked in an Associated Press survey said they were holding the line to attract bigger

crowds.

In Salt Lake City, the Skyroom of the Hotel Utah, which is operated by the Mormon Church and does not serve liquor, was charging \$25 per person, up from \$22.50 last year.

At the Hilton in Omaha, Neb., "prices are up on main entrees 50 cents to \$1.25." But, said spokesman Paula Samson, "reservations are full and about double this time last year. But last year, we offered a package at \$30 per couple which flopped."

Boston officials reported a sellout for Symphony Hall where Arthur Fiedler will conduct the Boston Symphony Orchestra to kick off a party. The price is \$12.50 per person, with a bottle of champagne for each table. Last year, the price was \$10 without champagne.

For stay-at-home celebrants warming up their television sets for New Year's Day's fare of parades and football games, there will be a more subtle change to mark the new year. NBC Television's famed peacock color symbol will fold its feathers and appear only on rare occasion.

"The peacock isn't dead, but it's badly wounded," an NBC spokesman quipped.

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Report Says More Cubans In Angola

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. intelligence sources estimate there are now about 7,500 Cuban soldiers in Angola supporting Soviet-backed forces fighting for control of that West African country.

The increase suggests that the Cuban military commitment in Angola is growing steadily. Last week, U.S. officials said that would represent the first commitment of a major unit of the

Cuban army. Meanwhile, intelligence sources said Tuesday that three more top Cuban officials have been identified in Angola.

They are Fernando Vecino, a vice minister in the Cuban ministry of the armed forces; Luis Alfonso Ochoa, a member of the Cuban Communist party's Central Committee; and Jorge Risquel, a member of the party's secretariat.

Last month, U.S. intelligence said Brigadier Gen. Julio Casas apparently was helping the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) handle military equipment supplied by the Russians. Casas was said to be a close associate of Fidel Castro.

Castro has openly acknowledged his military support of the Marxist MPLA. President Ford has said the Cuban action in Angola has "destroyed any opportunity for improvement in relations" between Cuba and the United States.

Since Ford made this statement, additional Cuban airlift flights reportedly have arrived in Angola. At least three Cuban planes have been serviced at Portugal's Azores Islands on route to Africa.

Cuba had been refueling its Angola-bound planes at Barbados in the Caribbean, but the Barbados government ordered this stopped after the United

States registered its displeasure. U.S. officials had anticipated that Guyana's leftist government might allow the Cuban airlift to refuel in that South American country. So far, U.S. intelligence says, that apparently has not happened.

The Russian airlift of weapons and other military supplies to the MPLA is still moving with more than 40 plane loads delivered so far, intelligence sources said. The Soviet planes, mostly huge AN22 transports, were said to refuel in Algeria and Guinea on their long flights from Russia.

U.S. intelligence sources say they have not yet been able to confirm reports that Russian MIG jet fighters and helicopters have been introduced into the Angola war. Some officials believe the MPLA may have used trainer planes and French-made helicopters left behind by the Portuguese and that these were mistaken by African informants for Soviet aircraft.



HEADS LODGE: Hardie Stewart has been elected worshipful master of Prince Hall Masonic Lodge 15, Benton Harbor. Other officers: Otis Clark, senior warden; Francis Wright, junior warden; Kersey Barnes, secretary; Roosevelt Weakley, treasurer; Joshua Cooper, senior deacon; Craig Johnson, junior deacon; Ed Sayles and William Watson, stewards; William Nance, trustee; John McPike, marshal; and James Means, publicity.

23 CENTS BY 1980?

More Postal Hikes Seen

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cost of mailing a letter went up from 10 to 13 cents today, the sixth increase in the last 17 years. And the steady increase in postal rates is unlikely to end there.

Postmaster General Benjamin F. Bailar has said the letter rate could go up to 15 or 17 cents by 1977 and 23 cents by 1980. Bailar says inflation in the general economy is responsible for rising mail rates.

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger refused to block the higher rates on Tuesday, less than six hours before they went into effect at 12:01 a.m. today.

Burger turned down a request from bulk mailers to reverse Monday's U.S. Court of Appeals decision which cleared the way for the increase. The appeals court stayed a lower court order prohibiting the Postal Service from raising rates.

It is possible that the appeals court will order a rollback in rates after a hearing on whether the procedures for increasing postal rates were complied

with. Former Postmaster General J. Edward Day, representing the bulk mailers, told Burger that most mail users could never collect any refunds if the increase is overturned.

"It will be impracticable for rank-and-file mail users to receive refunds of the illegally exacted postage," Day argued.

In a brief order, Burger refused to block the increase. He gave no reason.

The new rates include: —A 13-cent charge for the first ounce of a first-class letter and 11 cents for each additional ounce.

—Nine cents for a postcard, a two-cent increase.

—Hikes averaging 10.1 per cent in parcel post, 22.1 per cent for second-class mail and 23.9 per cent for third-class bulk rates.

Despite the increase, postal officials expect the largest deficit in the history of the Postal Service during the current fiscal year. Under the old rates, the service was losing an

average of about \$7 million per day since the fiscal year began July 1.

The main reason for the higher rates is increases in labor costs, which account for 55 per cent of the Postal Service's costs. The labor costs go up with the inflation rate in the general economy because of a cost-of-

living clause in the labor agreement with the postal unions.

Bailar has called for an increase in the congressional subsidy for the Postal Service, which would reduce the pressure for rate increases. However, the House voted down such a proposal in October.

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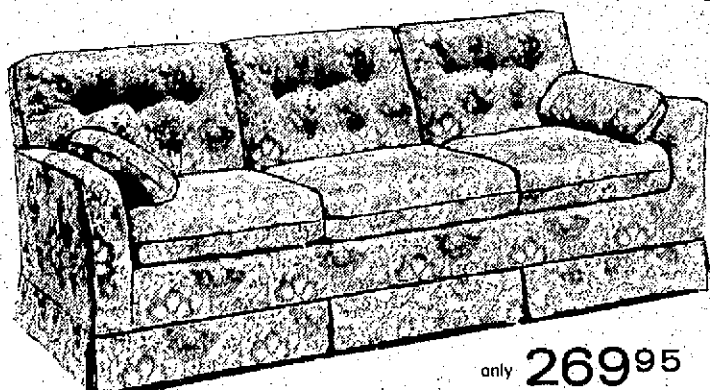
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Berrien Marriage Licenses Issued

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Forrest H. Kestorke:

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Gregg Blanchard, 19, and Kim Lorraine Hendren, 19, both of St. Joseph.

Rodger Gail Napier, 23, Holland, and Mary Katherine Berry, 23, Benton Harbor.

Richard Keith Schorer, 18, Lelling, La., and Rebecca Sue

Ashworth, 18, St. Joseph. Francis Woodard, 48, Arlington, Va., and Ira Dell Skidmore, 50, Benton Harbor.

Michael Eugene Felton, 23, and Jean Louise Hauch, 32, both of Berrien Springs. Steve Allen Williams, 23, Coloma, and Diane Lynn Por, 21, Riverside.

Walter Earl Nelson, Jr., 19, Bridgman, and Sue Ellen Johns, 18, Baroda.

"Rickey Dale" McNeil, 20, Cassopolis, and Deborah Jean Quirk, 17, Niles.

Larry David Roberts, 27, and Chang Kim, 30, both of Benton Harbor.

Arden Lee Swisher, Jr., 20, and Edith Lorine Darden, 21, both of Benton Harbor.

Glenn Roy Woodruff, 37, and Belinda Louise Hartzler, 21, both of St. Joseph.

Robert Lee Pullen, 50, and Virginia Fay Brill, 46, both of Benton Harbor.

Richard Otto Hill, 35, and Judith Lynn Johnson, 30, both of St. Joseph.

Richard Lewis Hildebrand, 36, and Kathleen Joyce Abraham, 34, both of New Buffalo.

Larry Arthur Stethem, 20, and Candy Lee Watkins, 17, both of Niles.

August Payne, 51, and Evelyn Ladia Becker, 20, both of Three Oaks.

Lawrence Masons Elect Officers

LAWRENCE — Roscoe Benedict was recently elected worshipful master of the Rising Sun Masonic lodge here.

Other officers elected included Robert Austin, senior warden; Harry Flagel, junior warden; Clare Herriman, treasurer; Clarence Mott, secretary; William Colgren Jr., senior deacon; Richard Simon, junior deacon; and Harry Dillenbeck, Uler.



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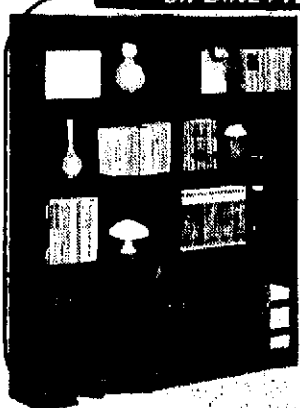


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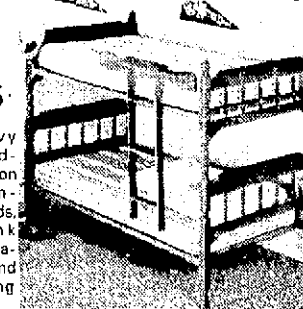
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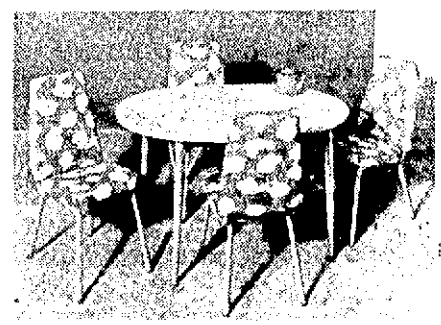
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Van Buren Skills Center Prepares To Open



ALMOST READY: The \$3.5 million Van Buren Skills Center for vocational education will open Jan. 26. The 93,500 square foot structure in Lawrence when in full operation in the fall of 1977 will provide educational opportunities for some 1,200 students — 600 in morning, and 600 in afternoon. It is only facility of kind in southwestern Michigan. Construction is financed by a \$1.2 million federal grant and perpetual three-mill property tax levy. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

New Facility To Be Fully Operational By Late 1977

LAWRENCE — The \$3.5 million Van Buren Skills Center here will open its doors to an estimated 350 juniors from the county's 11 high schools Jan. 26.

The vocational educational facility, located adjacent to the offices of the Van Buren intermediate school district near the geographical center of the county, will eventually offer 25 occupational courses to some 1,200 students when fully operational in September, 1977.

Construction of the facility began in the summer of 1974, and is financed by a \$1.2 million federal grant under the Vocational Education Act of 1968, and a perpetual three-mill property tax levy approved by intermediate district voters on June 6, 1972. When opened next month, the Skills Center will be virtually paid off, according to Ernest Shaw, intermediate district superintendent.

Shaw said the center cost about \$2.7 million to build, and another \$800,000 to furnish and

equip. The 93,500 square foot center, which is expected to cost about \$600,000 annually to operate, includes a number of features designed to hold down utility costs, Shaw noted.

All the building's concrete blocks are insulated, and the outer "skin" of the plant is made of two pieces of interlocking steel with a cushion

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of fiberglass in between.

There is also a system designed to recover 60 to 70 per cent of all heat lost through exhaust, as well as a variable airflow system in the ceiling which adjusts the temperature of a room depending upon whether or not people are inside, he said.

The center also has a sophisticated security system which includes magnetic locks on all doors and public address speakers which can be used to pick up noises inside and automatically dial police.

The building was designed, the superintendent said, to be able to integrate instruction. The auto body, auto mechanics, small engine mechanics, and agricultural mechanics rooms, for example are all located in one central area.

One room has a wooden floor which will allow students in the building services class to practice maintaining it, he said. The secretarial classroom is located next to the main office, offering the possibility of giving students work experience while learning. Students in food management will prepare and serve meals.

While emphasizing realism in instruction, Shaw noted that, "In all programs we're going to make sure we don't compete with local businesses."

The center is organized

around seven main "cluster" groups — business and graphics, construction and maintenance, electronics, health, machine and fabrication, marketing and service, and transportation.

When opened in January, the Skills Center will offer 19 different one or two-year programs, ranging from commercial printing to large appliance repair.

"We are attempting to give the student a salable skill when he leaves high school and hopefully to have helped him find a career in which he is happy working," Shaw remarked.

He added that he felt there has been too much emphasis in the past for many students on getting a college education, and that more and more the worker in demand is the one who has a technical skill.

Nearly all of the center's instructors have worked in the area they are teaching, Shaw said. Job training will concentrate on both flexibility and individualization of instruction, he added.

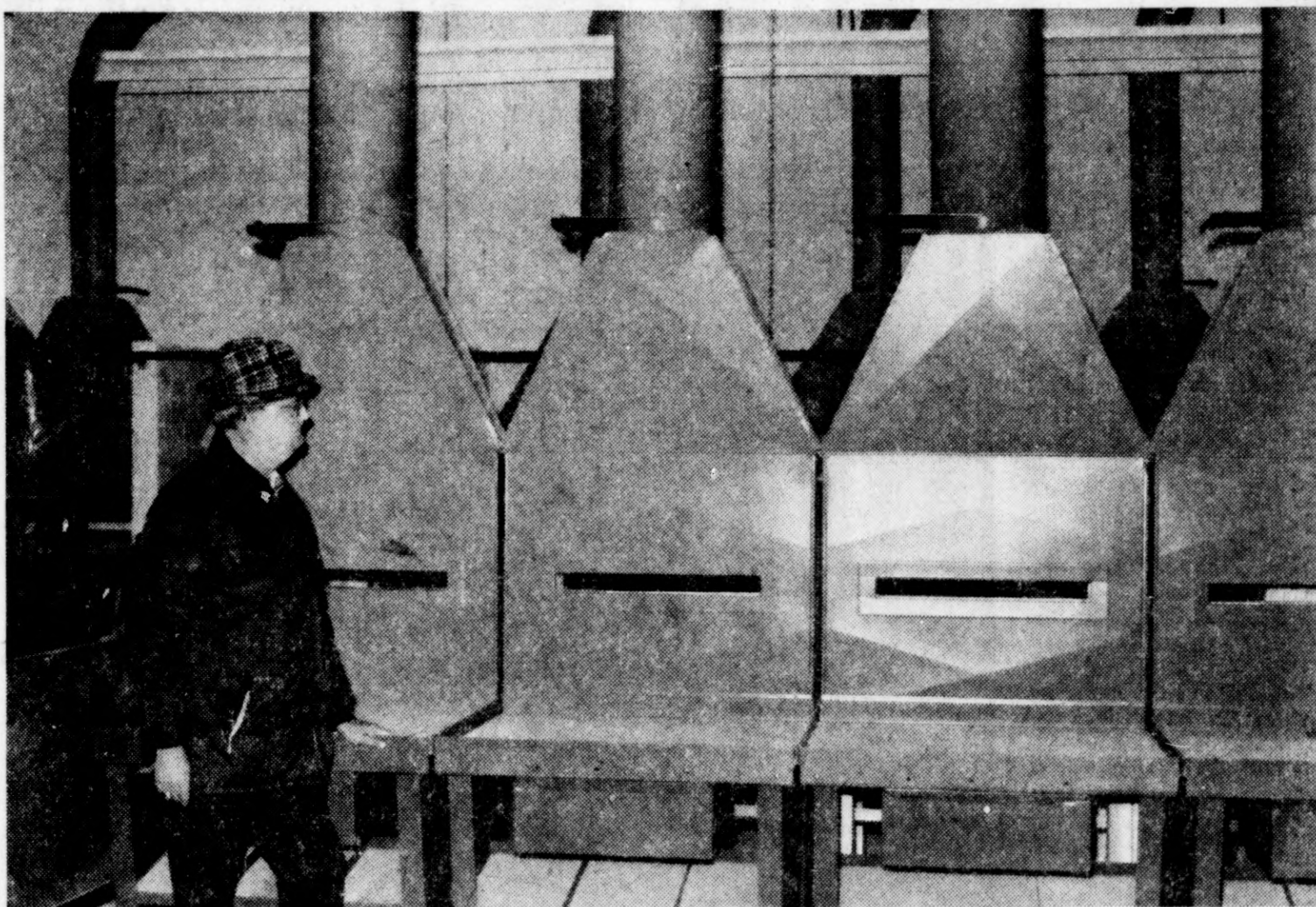
Class sizes will be small (usually between 15 and 22 students), he said. As planned, students will take classes in their home high school part of the day, then attend either a morning or afternoon session at the Skills Center for 2½ hours daily.

Shaw noted that if, for example, a student were interested in becoming an auto parts manager, an individualized program might be worked out in which he took classes in both distributive education and auto mechanics.

"I can't believe the kids won't be turned on by this program," Shaw said.

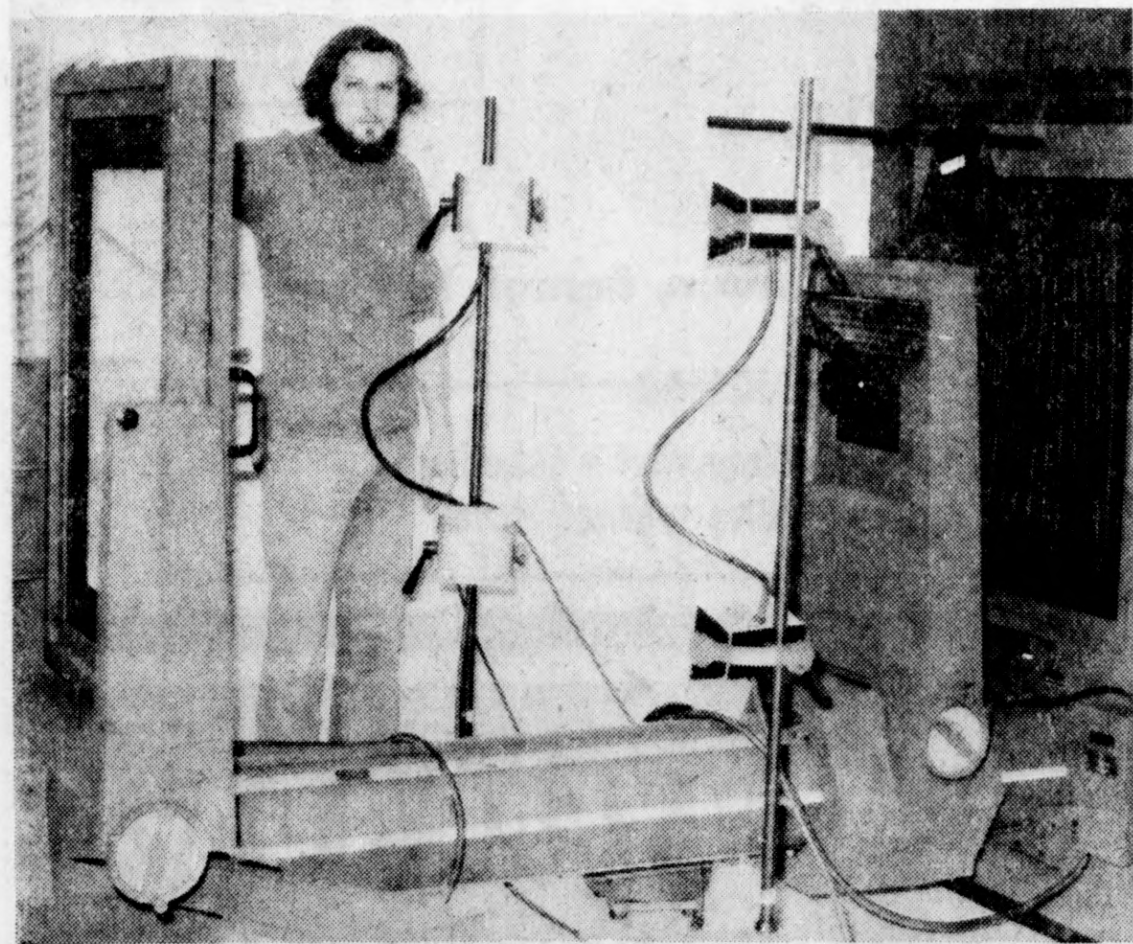
The superintendent noted that each course of instruction has a citizen's advisory committee, and that plans are underway to have a job placement service for graduates. Next fall, he said, there will be night classes for adults.

Shaw said that the opening of the center personally will culminate a dream he has had for 20 years. And as one county commissioner remarked on a recent tour, "I wish they'd had something like this when I was going to school."

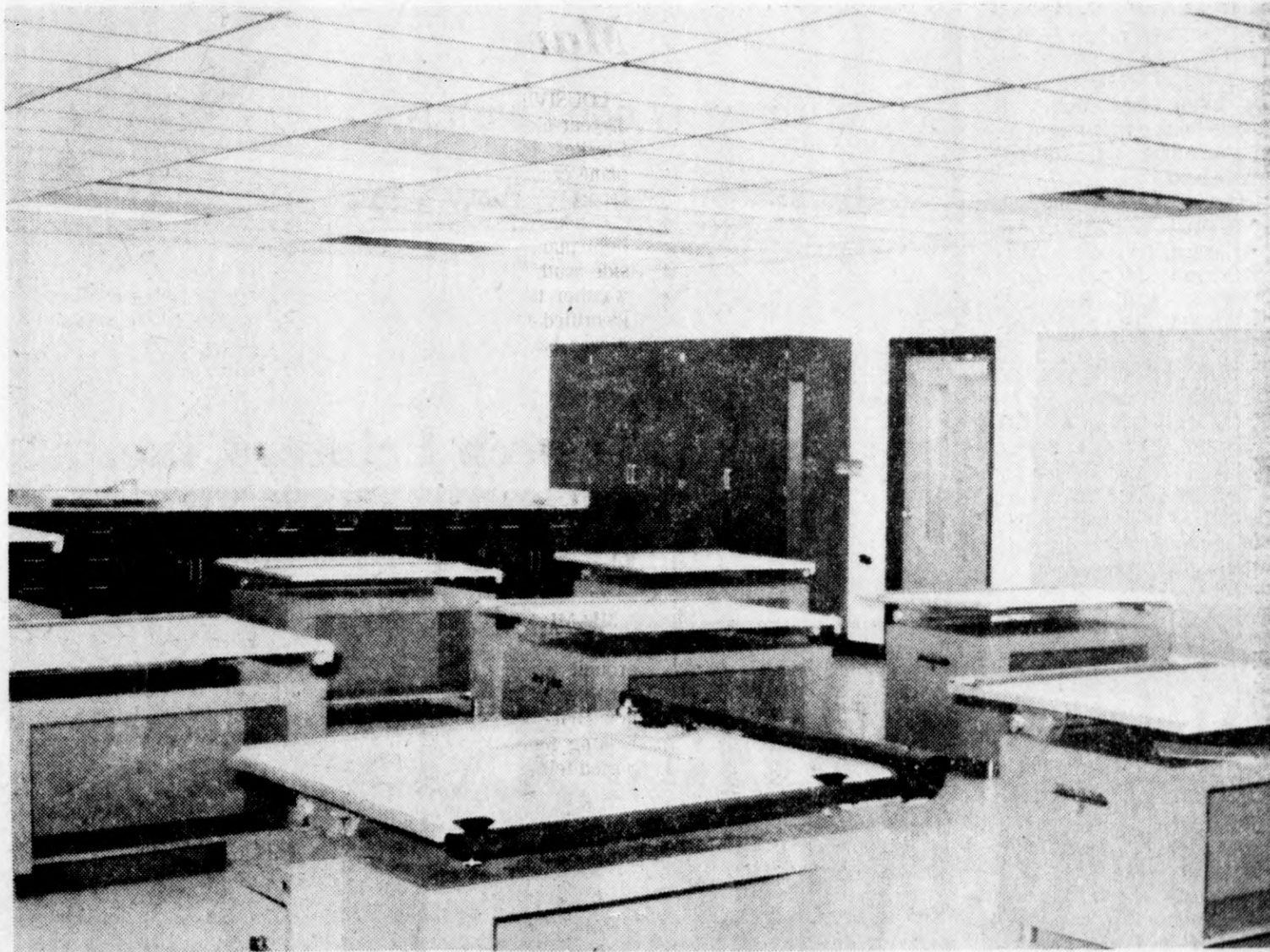


WELDING AREA: Ernest Shaw, Van Buren intermediate school district superintendent, looks over tables which will be used for welding in Van Buren

Skills Center. All equipment meets latest safety standards. Center director is S. Ward Ritchie. (Staff photos)



SUPER CAMERA: Robertson 500 process camera almost dwarfs Cal Kolhaas, commercial printing instructor at Van Buren Skills Center. Camera is similar to type used by many newspapers and commercial photography and printing companies.



READY FOR USE: Drawing tables await commercial arts students in classroom at Van Buren Skills Center.

Tenure Board's Order Challenged In Covert Appeal

By DENNIS COGSWELL
Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — The Covert school board yesterday filed an appeal in Van Buren circuit court challenging a state teacher tenure commission order that the board reinstate a teacher it fired in December, 1974.

The tenure commission ordered Nov. 10 that mathematics teacher Ernest Ferrell, 29, be reinstated with full back pay because the board did not post a public notice prior to a meeting in which a tenure proceeding decision is to be made.

The fact that a decision was reached at a meeting in which there had been no notice to the public, in no way deprived Ferrell of due process, the appeal said. It noted that after electing to hold private hearings, he could not ask that only a portion of the proceeding be made public.

The appeal also says that the tenure commission ordered all back pay reinstated even though

counsel for both parties had agreed at a May 1 tenure commission hearing that any pay would be set by mutual stipulation.

The appeal asked that the case be remanded back to the tenure commission to be decided on the merit on whether there was reasonable cause for termination. Ferrell was arrested on June 28, 1974, and charged with larceny in a building in connection with the theft of a 10-speed bicycle in South Haven.

He pleaded innocent to the charge in Van Buren circuit court on Aug. 12, 1974, and the board filed tenure charges on Oct. 14, 1974.

Following hearings on Nov. 18, 20 and 28, the board voted Dec. 9, 1974, to terminate his contract.

The larceny charge was remanded back to Seventh District court on Jan. 13 of this year. Ferrell pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of conspiracy to receive stolen property. On March 13, he was assessed a fine and costs of \$184. Ferrell's dismissal was made because of the charge against him, according to Supt. William Randall.



SNOWBIRD: Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis smiles for photographers amid heavy snowfall Tuesday at Snowbird, Utah, ski resort in the Wasatch Mountains east of Salt Lake City. Mrs. Onassis appeared briefly at the bottom of a ski run after Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., skied down with his family. Mrs. Onassis paused for photographs for about a minute, then returned to a waiting automobile after answering only one question from reporters. "Beautiful," she responded, when asked how she liked the snow. (AP Wirephoto)

New Buffalo Woman's Will Filed

Probate proceedings have been initiated in Berrien Probate court on the estimated \$50,000 estate of Mrs. Louise Wolf, of New Buffalo.

Mrs. Wolf, 70, of 108 South Norton street, died Nov. 28 in Union Pier.

Her 1975 will bequeaths that \$50,000 worth of personal property be divided equally among her sisters, Anna Christopher, of New Buffalo and Magdalene Jacoby, of Wisconsin; her brothers, David Hetzel, of New Buffalo, and John, Ervin, Edward, and Alvin Hetzel, all of Wisconsin; a brother-in-law, Herbert Christopher, of New Buffalo; and a niece, Sandra Snyder, of Indiana.

Ford Office Target Of Burglars

WASHINGTON (AP) — An attempted break-in today at offices used by President Ford's campaign committee apparently was unsuccessful, District of Columbia police said.

Molding around a door to offices used by the committee's advertising and media workers showed signs of tampering, and a burglar alarm had been tripped, police said.

The offices, on the 10th floor of a downtown office building, apparently were not entered and nothing appeared to be missing, a committee staff member said.

Police said a search of the building failed to turn up anyone.

Michigan Man Killed

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A 32-year-old Ovid man, Donald Dierkes, has been killed in a plane crash near here, officials report.

Dierkes died Sunday when his light plane crashed into a hillside south of here in inclement weather but his body was not identified until Tuesday because it was badly burned, officials said.

Cuban Living Takes A Turn For The Better

MIAMI (AP) — A small number of Cubans now drive around in Fords. Those who aren't as lucky can ride in plush new British buses. Others are looking forward to a new imported television set or icebox.

These are all signs of a steadily improving economic outlook — after many years of privation — for the eight million people in their 17th year of Fidel Castro's rule.

The Caribbean island's prospects appear brighter now than ever before.

OBITUARIES

Roy Lee Ray

Roy Lee Ray, 52, 548 Territorial road, Benton Harbor, died Tuesday evening in Mercy hospital, following an illness of two years.

Mr. Ray was born April 22, 1923, in Portageville, Mo., and was formerly employed at Bendix Corporation.

Surviving is a daughter, Miss Ruby Ray and his mother, Mrs. Gertrude Ray, both of Benton Harbor; three sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Robinson, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Nicola Johnson and Mrs. Aslee Heard and three brothers, Charlie Ray, Jessie Ray and J. C. Ray, all of Benton Harbor.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this forenoon at Robbins Brothers funeral home.

Mrs. Olga Steinké

Mrs. Olga Marie Steinké, 85, 118 Delaware, Benton Harbor, died at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday in Mercy hospital.

She was born May 23, 1890 in Russia.

Surviving are a son, Leonard Steinké, Benton Harbor; two daughters, Mrs. Howard (Adelaide) Chrest, Grand Rapids and Mrs. Robert (Adelgunde) Kuehl, Sr., Coloma; a sister, Mrs. Mary Priebe and a brother, Rudolph Court, both of Benton Harbor. Her husband preceded her in death in 1966.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in St. Matthews Lutheran church, of which she was a member. Burial will be in Coloma cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. today in Kerley and Starks funeral home, St. Joseph.

The family will receive friends in the funeral home from 7 until 9 p.m. tonight and on Thursday from 2 until 4 and 7 until 9 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the church fund.

Lochaby Rites Set

HARTFORD — Funeral services for Francis V. Lochaby, 84, Route 1, Hartford, who died Monday, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in Calvin funeral home, Hartford. Burial will be in Maple Hill cemetery, Hartford.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 this evening.

Mr. Lochaby had been employed at the Dean Foster Farms for 34 years, retiring in 1972.

Surviving are his widow, the former Ruth Bell Hilton; two sons, Roy Lochaby, Hiawassee, Ga., and Marvin Stone, Hartford; six daughters, Mrs. Eugene (Edna) Crane, Cleveland, Ga.; Mrs. Vaughn (Ettie) Colman, Mount Airy, Ga.; Mrs. Leander (Ray) Owens, Hiawassee, Ga.; Mrs. Oscar (Mildred) Chambers, Hartford and Mrs. Hershel (Olen) Dean, Haversville, Mo.; a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Corn, Ducula and two brothers, Marion, Gainesville, Ga., and Lucius of Murphy, N.C.

Purnell Rites Set

Funeral services for Cole Purnell, 71, 731 East Britain, Benton Harbor, who died Tuesday, will be held at 1 p.m. Friday in Hopewell Baptist church. Burial will be in Crystal Springs cemetery.

Friends may call at Robbins Brothers funeral home after noon Thursday.

Mrs. Marlene Ferguson

COLOMA — Coloma township police reported early today that the body of Mrs. Marlene Ferguson, 29, 5118 Riverview, Coloma, was found in a car parked in the family garage last night.

Officer Thomas LaVanway said the victim's husband, Ernest, and a friend who was with him found the body when they arrived at the house about 7:20 p.m.

According to LaVanway, the death had been ruled a suicide by Dr. William Benner, chief Berrien county medical examiner, who had been called to the garage by police. Fumes from the car's exhaust were believed to have caused the death, LaVanway said.

Mrs. Ferguson was born Aug. 14, 1946.

Survivors include her husband, Ernest; two children, Sean and Jenny at home; a brother, John Barrieklow with the United States Air Force in Seoul, Korea; her mother, Mrs. Jack Blackmer of Battle Creek; and her father, Howard Barrieklow of Clinton.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this morning at the Davidson funeral home, Coloma.

Mrs. Angelo DePalma

Mrs. Angelo (Vivian Gant) DePalma, 58, Palm Springs, Fla., formerly of Benton Harbor, died Monday in the Palm Springs hospital.

Surviving is her husband.

Funeral services and burial will be held in Palm Springs.

Evans Rites Set

HARTFORD — Funeral services for Mrs. Maxine Ward Evans, 47, 36 West South street, who was killed Monday in a two-car, head-on collision, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Calvin funeral home, Hartford.

Friends may call at the funeral home.

Thomas Darling Sr.

SOUTH HAVEN — Thomas Darling Sr., 91, route 1, South Haven, died this morning at South Haven Community hospital.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this morning at the Calvin funeral home, South Haven.

LaGuardia Newcomers Are Skittish

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Chief of Detectives Louis Cotel.

The nervousness was clear to anyone in the airport as the first planes arrived. Several passengers asked a reporter why he was interviewing them, when "you don't have to be here."

Barbara Teschendorf, 21, of Greenville, S.C., said she was irate when she learned her plane would land at La Guardia instead of Kennedy as scheduled.

"When I bought my ticket, I insisted I go to Kennedy because I read about the bombings," she said. "It's absurd, I'm frightened silly. We're just human guinea pigs."

Little more than an hour after first plane landed, the airport was virtually deserted again as air traffic dropped for the night.

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates the airport, announced that the 25-cent lockers, where the bomb was secreted, would be closed to the public indefinitely.

As flight schedules were resumed, workmen were feverishly putting up plywood over blown out windows and painting the blast area to cover as much of the damage as possible. The panels were painted light green and soon looked like concrete walls that had always been there.

An American Airlines freight division employee, Charles Terina, 32, of Brooklyn, said of coming back to work Tuesday night, "It was a little bit of a nightmare to think of what happened."

A colleague, Thomas Glanquinto, 30, of Queens, recalled their worries Monday night over an unfounded report that a bomb had been planted at American's facility.

"I don't mind coming back," he said, "but it's a little close for comfort."

More CIA Names To Be Printed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A co-editor of the magazine "Courtship" says the publication is not responsible for the death of Richard S. Welch and plans to print the names of about 70 other CIA agents in an upcoming edition.

Co-editor Doug Porter said the CIA agents' names will be picked up from newspapers in France, Sweden and Angola. He said about 80 names are to be published next week by the newspaper, Liberation in France.

Quake Flattens Greek Villages

PATRAS, Greece (AP) — An earthquake jolted western Greece today, causing heavy damage to towns and villages, but there were no immediate reports of deaths or serious injuries, police said.

Most of the damage was reported south of Lake Trikonis and Messolonghi. The villages of Ano and Kato Makrinou were said to be leveled. About 1,500 persons live in these two villages.

Hundreds of homes were reported damaged in other nearby villages, leaving several thousand persons homeless.

Power lines collapsed, cutting off regular communications, but police said they were in radio contact with the worst-hit area.

Police said the quake registered 5.8 on the Richter scale, which measures ground motion as recorded on seismographs. A quake registering 8 on the Richter is capable of severe damage.

The earthquake, which followed three light tremors, rolled through the area for about 25 seconds and sent residents of this city fleeing their homes and offices.

Three old houses in the center of Patras collapsed in a heap of dust. Cars parked nearby were damaged, but no one was reported hurt.

Hundreds of buildings in the Navpakos and Aitolikon areas were damaged as balconies fell in a heap of rubble and walls and windows cracked.

The government immediately began dispatching tents, blankets and medicine to the stricken area.

One woman was reported injured by falling debris in a village near Navpakos in which nearly all the buildings sustained damage.

The epicenter was reported in the province of Aitolokarnanias, about 105 miles northwest of Athens.



HANDSOME: Massa, the world's oldest captive gorilla, has solemn expression as he glares at photographers while celebrating his 45th birthday in his cage at the Philadelphia Zoo Tuesday. According to zoo officials gorillas age at about the same rate as humans. (AP Wirephoto)

SJ Firemen Return To Apartments

For the second day in a row and fourth time in a month, St. Joseph firemen were called to the Lakeview Estates apartments, 2704 Lake Shore drive, when fire broke out in a trash container.

The fire Tuesday was about 12:30 p.m. in a trash container in an incinerator room. Firefighters took the trash container outside the building and extinguished the flames.

Monday city firemen were called to the same apartment complex for a fire in a trash container in a laundry room. The laundry room and incinerator room are located on the second floor of the same building, according to firemen.

Firemen reported they have responded to two other similar trash fires in the last month at the apartments. All the fires have caused minor damage.

Cause of the fires have not been determined, but city police are investigating.

Portage Man Bound Over In Van Buren

PAW PAW — A Portage man was bound over to Van Buren circuit court Tuesday on charges of manufacturing a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver following Van Buren Seventh district court preliminary examination.

Harold M. Wiseman, 30, was arrested on the charges as a result of a Sept. 30 raid on a Bloomington home which police described as a "drug factory." Quantities of suspected amphetamines were confiscated, police said. He was continued free on personal recognizance bond.

In another case, Albert G. Dietz, 23, 102 Paw Paw street, Paw Paw, was bound over to circuit court following preliminary examination on a charge of larceny in a building.

The charge grew out of the theft last July 30 of \$140 from the Glendale Grocery. He was returned to jail under \$8,500 bond.

It's News

TODAY

Terrorists May Be In Libya

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Some or all of the terrorists who attacked the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries may be in Libya now. Authoritative sources report that the Algerian government freed at least five of the six terrorists Tuesday and sent them by plane to a friendly Arab country. Unconfirmed reports said they may have gone to Libya, which has welcomed anti-Israeli hijackers in the past. However, one of the three men the terrorists killed in their attack was a leading member of Libya's OPEC delegation.

Milliken Signs Labeling Bill

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A bill which may lead to electrical appliances sold in Michigan being labeled with the amount of energy they consume was signed Tuesday by Gov. William Milliken. "This law will assist in establishing energy consumption of appliances and provide consumers and utilities with standards in conserve energy," Milliken said. The bill says the appliances would have to carry the labeling if the state Public Service Commission (PSC) ordered it.

Fill Up Before 9 P.M.

You'd better fill your car's tank before 9 p.m. tonight or you may find yourself ringing in the New Year by walking home. A statewide "fuel gauge" survey of 300 stations showed that only one service station in four will be pumping gasoline after 9 p.m. New Year's Eve and less than one in 10 will be open after midnight, according to the Auto Club of Michigan. Motorists who are able to pry themselves away from televised football bowl games should find 64 per cent of the outstate service stations open New Year's Day, the survey showed.

Judge Saves 40 U-D Jobs

DETROIT (AP) — A Wayne County Circuit Court judge temporarily has halted firing of 40 University of Detroit faculty members. Judge Joseph Gillis ruling Tuesday barred dismissals U-D had announced earlier this month. The school said the layoffs, coupled with a tuition increase and a bigger recruitment drive for students would help the Jesuit university overcome a \$3 million deficit estimated for the 1976-77 school year.

Bail Hearing Refused

DETROIT (AP) — Stephen Andretta, a New Jersey Teamster who has been jailed for refusing to testify before the grand jury probing the disappearance of James Hoffa, was refused a bail hearing Tuesday. U.S. District Court Judge James Churchill said any motions pertaining to Andretta's case should be heard by Judge Ralph Freeman. Freeman sent the 40-year-old Teamster to prison on contempt charges Dec. 11 after Andretta had been granted immunity from prosecution in return for his testimony.

I-D Applications Delayed

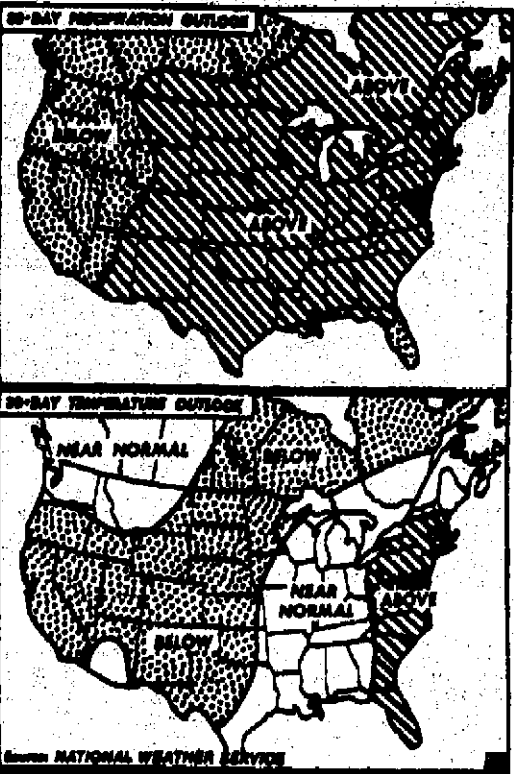
LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The secretary of state's office said Tuesday applications for official identification cards will not be ready until late January or early February. The cards, which cost \$3 each, are intended for residents without driver's licenses or for those who need more identification for business transactions. Responsibility for issuing the cards was transferred by law from the Michigan State Police to the secretary of state's office beginning Thursday, but the cards will not be available from the secretary of state offices until the applications are printed.

Wildlife Fund Bill Vetoes

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Gov. William Milliken on Tuesday vetoed some \$812,000 in state funds for four Upper Peninsula wildlife areas. He also vetoed from the same appropriations bill, another \$110,000 for a Detroit riverfront study and for the City of Belleville. He called these funds "special interest grants which conflict with other state program and budget priorities." The \$97-million appropriations bill was the last from the current fiscal year to be approved by the legislature and signed by the governor.

Unique Battle Re-Enacted

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. (AP) — A Yankee bugler struck up his song, a Confederate answered from the other side with a horn and the soldiers sang till dawn, then tried to kill each other. It was 113 years ago today. To mark a unique and bloody battle of the Civil War, the cannons have been firing this week at the Stones River National Battlefield, which is preparing a series of Bicentennial events. The historic Dec. 31, 1862, battle was preceded by the encampment of a Wisconsin unit — 1st Brigade Band, 3rd Division, 15th U.S. Army Corps — along the banks of the river.



THIRTY-DAY FORECAST: This is the precipitation and temperature outlook for the next 30 days for the country, according to the National Weather Service. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Americans Ready For Celebrations

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time," police spokesman Paul Arena said. "But if they're ready, we're ready."

In Cincinnati, New Year's revelers were assured of a good time tonight, but they were not so sure anybody would be around afterward to take out the garbage.

Contracts with city employees — including the police who would patrol tonight's celebrations and the garbage collectors who would clean up afterward — expire at midnight. Talks between Cincinnati and its 975 firemen and 1,178 policemen are stalemated and no new talks were scheduled with either group today.

Cincinnati police voted not to arrest anyone or hand out tickets after midnight, a Fraternal Order of Police official said, but he said they would respond in emergencies.

The fire department has voted to seek binding arbitration or, failing that, petition the Cincinnati City Council directly. Where more traditional observances are planned, prices have gone up, although some restaurant and hotel operators checked in an Associated Press survey said they were holding the line to attract bigger crowds.

In Salt Lake City, the Skyroom of the Hotel Utah, which is operated by the Mormon Church and does not serve liquor, was charging \$25 per person, up from \$22.50 last year.

"At the Hilton in Omaha, Neb., prices are up on main entrees 50 cents to \$1.25." But, said spokesman Paula Samson, "reservations are full and about double this time last year. But last year, we offered a package at \$30 per couple which flopped."

Boston officials reported a sellout for Symphony Hall where Arthur Fiedler will conduct the Boston Symphony Orchestra to kick off a party. The price is \$12.50 per person, with a bottle of champagne for each table. Last year, the price was \$10 without champagne.

For stay-at-home celebrants warming up their television sets for New Year's Day's fare of parades and football games, there will be a more subtle change to mark the new year. NBC Television's famed peacock color symbol will fold its feathers and appear only on rare occasion.

"The peacock isn't dead, but it's badly wounded," an NBC spokesman quipped.

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SPRAY ROOM: Once students in auto body course at Van Buren Skills Center have finished repairing dents, they'll be able to paint cars and trucks in spray room similar to one used by major industries. (Staff photo)



WELL EQUIPPED: Don Nichols, machine trades instructor at Van Buren Skills Center, stands next to one of various precision metal-working machines in school's machine shop. Center offers two-year

programs in machine shop and plastics and one-year program in welding. (Staff photo)

Vanity License Censors Stay Busy

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — State censors are fighting a battle of wits with purchasers of vanity license plates who want to catch someone's eye and catch their breath, too.

The censors, who work out of the secretary of state's Administrative Services Division, are on the lookout for plates that are suggestive, misleading, offensive to ethnic groups and even cleverly disguised obscenities.

"One case we almost let go through turned out to be a vulgar word in reverse, one that would be noticed only when a driver in front looked in his rear view mirror," said Jean Marietta, who heads the censoring team.

Of times two or three people review an application, reading it, saying it out loud, sometimes even holding it up to a mirror.

"Something that has no meaning to me may have meaning to someone else," Marietta says.

One driver wanted POLOCK on his plate, and was proud to be one, but other Poles in the office were offended by the slang, Marietta said.

And if two or three people get no "meaning" out of a request but are still suspect, they sometimes call Michigan State University's language department, or check other big dictionaries.

Since 1972, when the personalized or vanity plates were approved by the legislature, the office has processed more than 14,000 applications.

"We try to screen out plates even for the one person who would take offense at them," says Marietta, who does not use a personalized plate on his car.

"We've probably eliminated some we wouldn't have to, but we'd rather be safe than sorry."

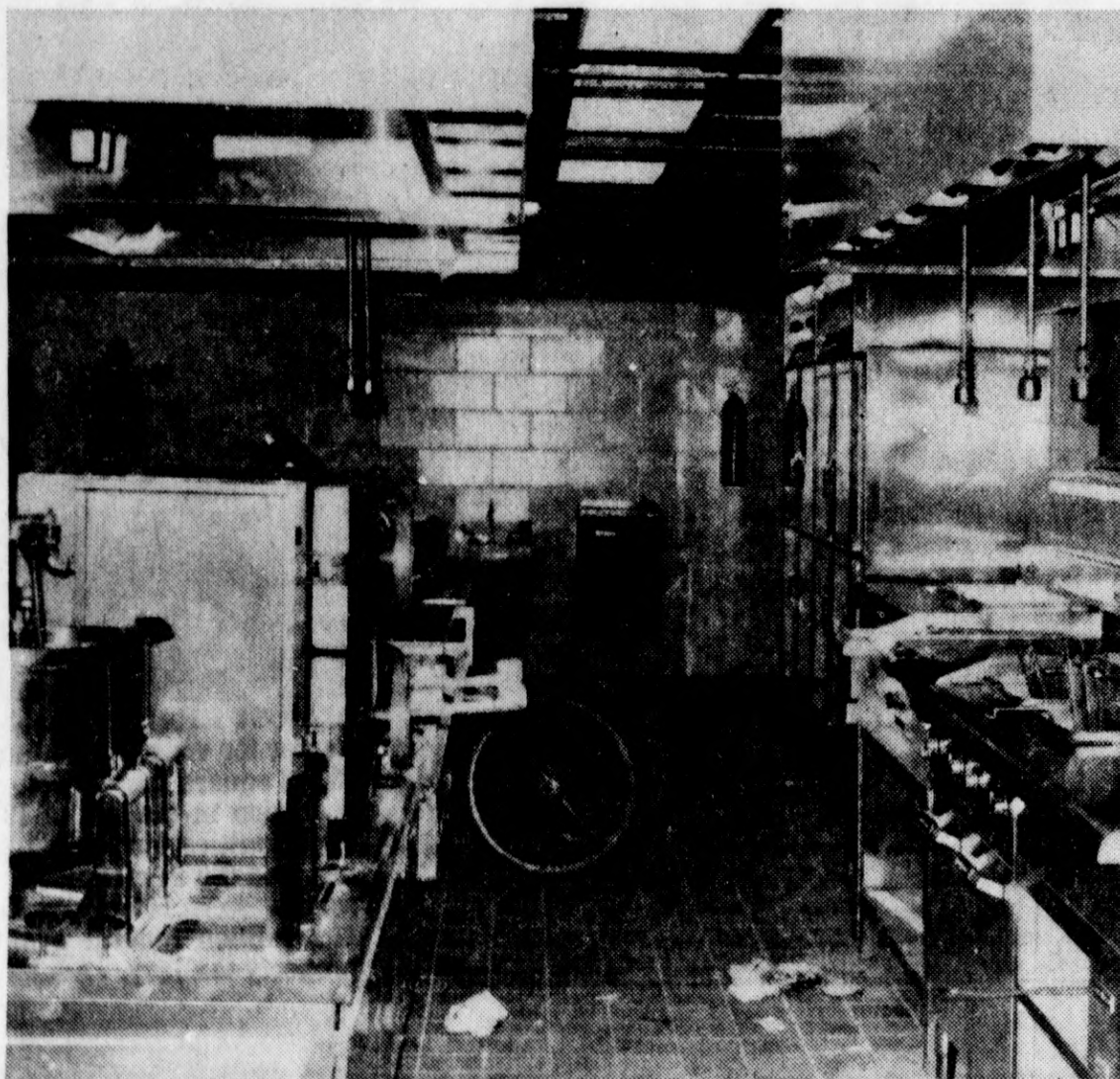
Rejected as in "poor taste" or misleading were MR. SEXY, SEX PAD, TOP COP, US MAIL, POLOCK and KRAUT. SWED and CANUCK were deemed all right, however.

Others rejected were plain old gutter language — though GUTTER was approved — foreign obscenities, or medical-book terminology that, "if translated into gutter language, would turn out pretty filthy," Marietta said.

Most are innocent initials, names, maiden names, car names, occupations (PASTOR) or state names, Marietta said. Others are easily approved, like SWEET, BOO BOO, BINGO, ADIOS.

MY DAD, MY JOE and MY FOOT made it, too.

GO BLUE, GO MSU, GO BUCKS and GO NAVY reflect the school colors on the plates, and 200 YRS. USA 4 ME, USA 4 US and 1776 USA plaster patriotism on the already red-white-and-blue plates.



FOOD PREPARATION: Instruction in areas such as menu planning, food preparation, and customer relations will be offered students enrolled in food management course at Skills Center. Center has own cafeteria which schools of officials said can be used for banquets for civic and school groups. (Staff photo)



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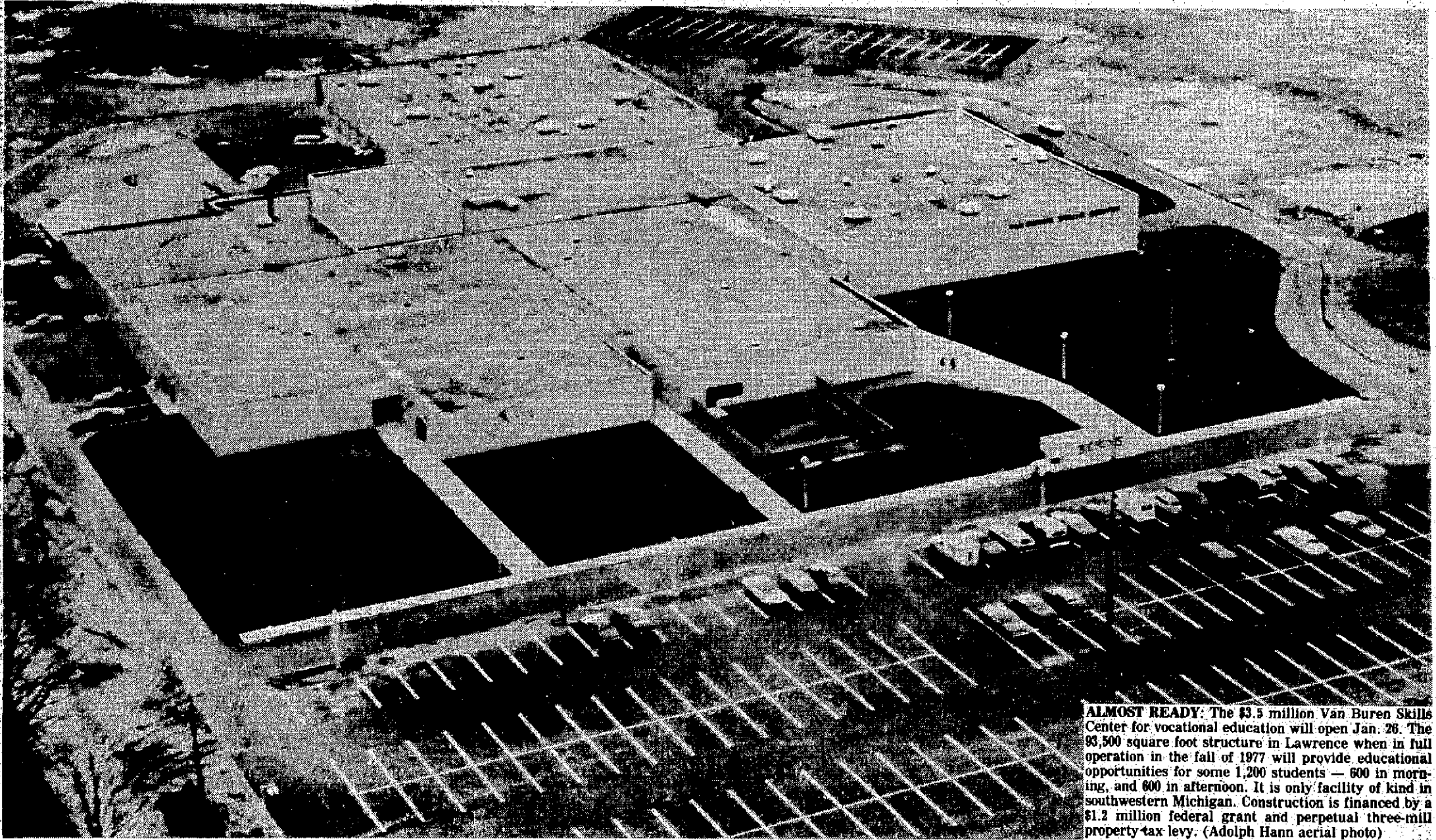


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Van Buren Skills Center Prepares To Open



ALMOST READY: The \$3.5 million Van Buren Skills Center for vocational education will open Jan. 26. The 83,500 square foot structure in Lawrence when in full operation in the fall of 1977 will provide educational opportunities for some 1,200 students — 600 in morning, and 600 in afternoon. It is only facility of kind in southwestern Michigan. Construction is financed by a \$1.2 million federal grant and perpetual three-mill property tax levy. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

New Facility To Be Fully Operational By Late 1977

LAWRENCE — The \$3.5 million Van Buren Skills Center here will open its doors to an estimated 350 juniors from the county's 11 high schools Jan. 26. The vocational educational facility, located adjacent to the offices of the Van Buren intermediate school district near the geographical center of the county, will eventually offer 25 occupational courses to some 1,200 students when fully operational in September, 1977.

Construction of the facility began in the summer of 1974, and is financed by a \$1.2 million federal grant under the Vocational Education Act of 1968, and a perpetual three-mill property tax levy approved by intermediate district voters on June 6, 1972. When opened next month, the Skills Center will be virtually paid off, according to Ernest Shaw, intermediate district superintendent.

Shaw said the center cost about \$2.7 million to build, and another \$800,000 to furnish and

equip. The 83,500 square foot center, which is expected to cost about \$800,000 annually to operate, includes a number of features designed to hold down utility costs, Shaw noted.

All the building's concrete blocks are insulated, and the outer "skin" of the plant is made of two pieces of interlocking steel with a cushion

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of fiberglass in between.

There is also a system designed to recover 60 to 70 per cent of all heat lost through exhaust, as well as a variable airflow system in the ceiling which adjusts the temperature of a room depending upon whether or not people are inside, he said.

The center also has a sophisticated security system which includes magnetic locks on all doors and public address speakers which can be used to pick up noises inside and automatically dial police.

The building was designed, the superintendent said, to be able to integrate instruction. The auto body, auto mechanics, small engine mechanics, and agricultural mechanics rooms, for example are all located in one central area.

One room has a wooden floor which will allow students in the building services class to practice maintaining it, he said. The secretarial classroom is located next to the main office, offering the possibility of giving students work experience while learning. Students in food management will prepare and serve meals.

While emphasizing realism in instruction, Shaw noted that, "In all programs we're going to make sure we don't compete with local businesses."

The center is organized

around seven main "cluster" groups — business and graphics, construction and maintenance, electronics, health, machine and fabrication, marketing and service, and transportation.

When opened in January, the Skills Center will offer 19 different one or two-year programs, ranging from commercial printing to large appliance repair.

"We are attempting to give the student a salable skill when he leaves high school and hopefully to have helped him find a career in which he is happy working," Shaw remarked.

He added that he felt there has been too much emphasis in the past for many students on getting a college education, and that more and more the worker in demand is the one who has a technical skill.

Nearly all of the center's instructors have worked in the area they are teaching, Shaw said. Job training will concentrate on both flexibility and individualization of instruction, he added.

Class sizes will be small (usually between 15 and 22 students), he said. As planned, students will take classes in their home high school part of the day, then attend either a morning or afternoon session at the Skills Center for 2½ hours daily.

Shaw noted that if, for example, a student were interested in becoming an auto parts manager, an individualized program might be worked out in which he took classes in both distributive education and auto mechanics.

"I can't believe the kids won't be turned on by this program," Shaw said.

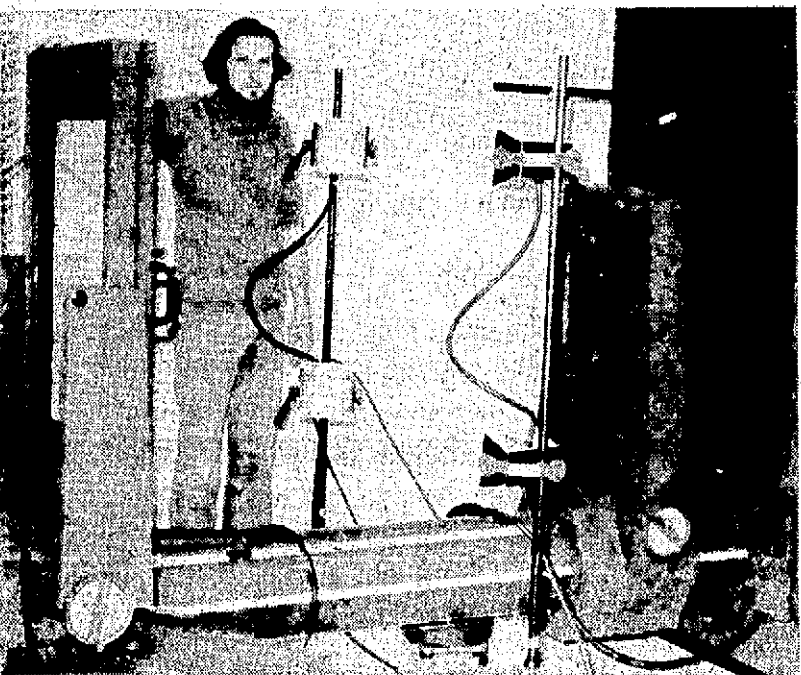
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Shaw said that the opening of the center personally will culminate a dream he has had for 20 years. And as one county commissioner remarked on a recent tour, "I wish they'd had something like this when I was going to school."

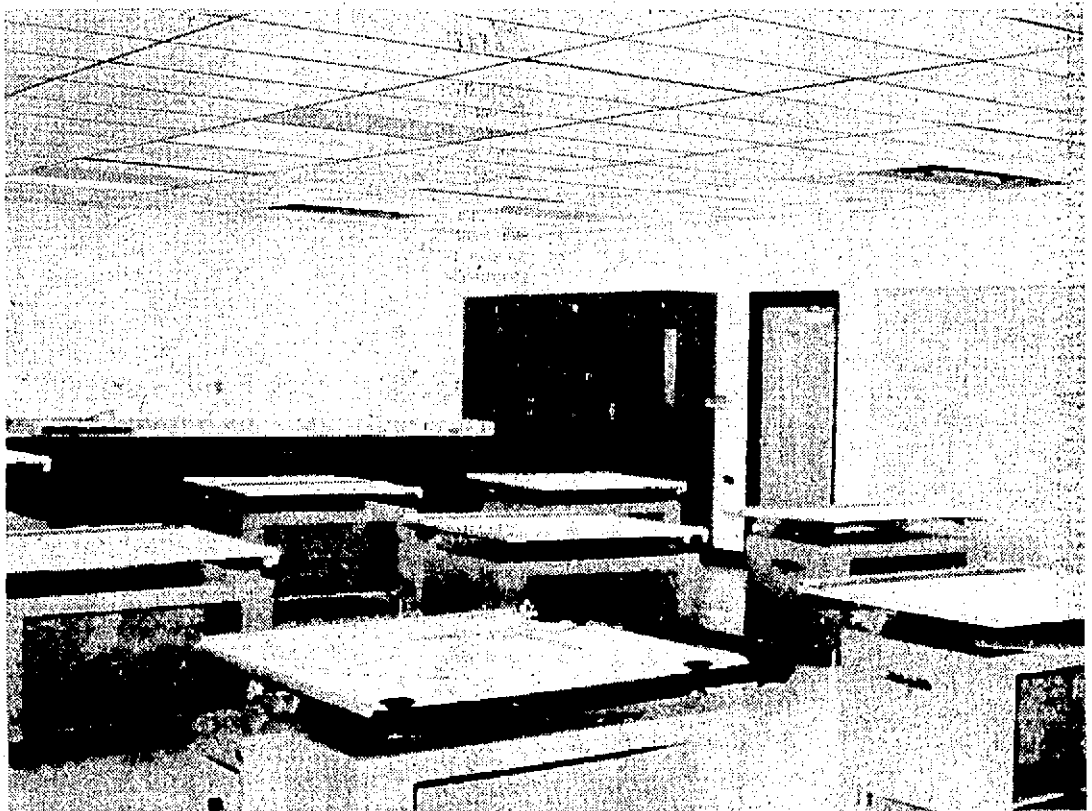


WELDING AREA: Ernest Shaw, Van Buren intermediate school district superintendent, looks over tables which will be used for welding in Van Buren

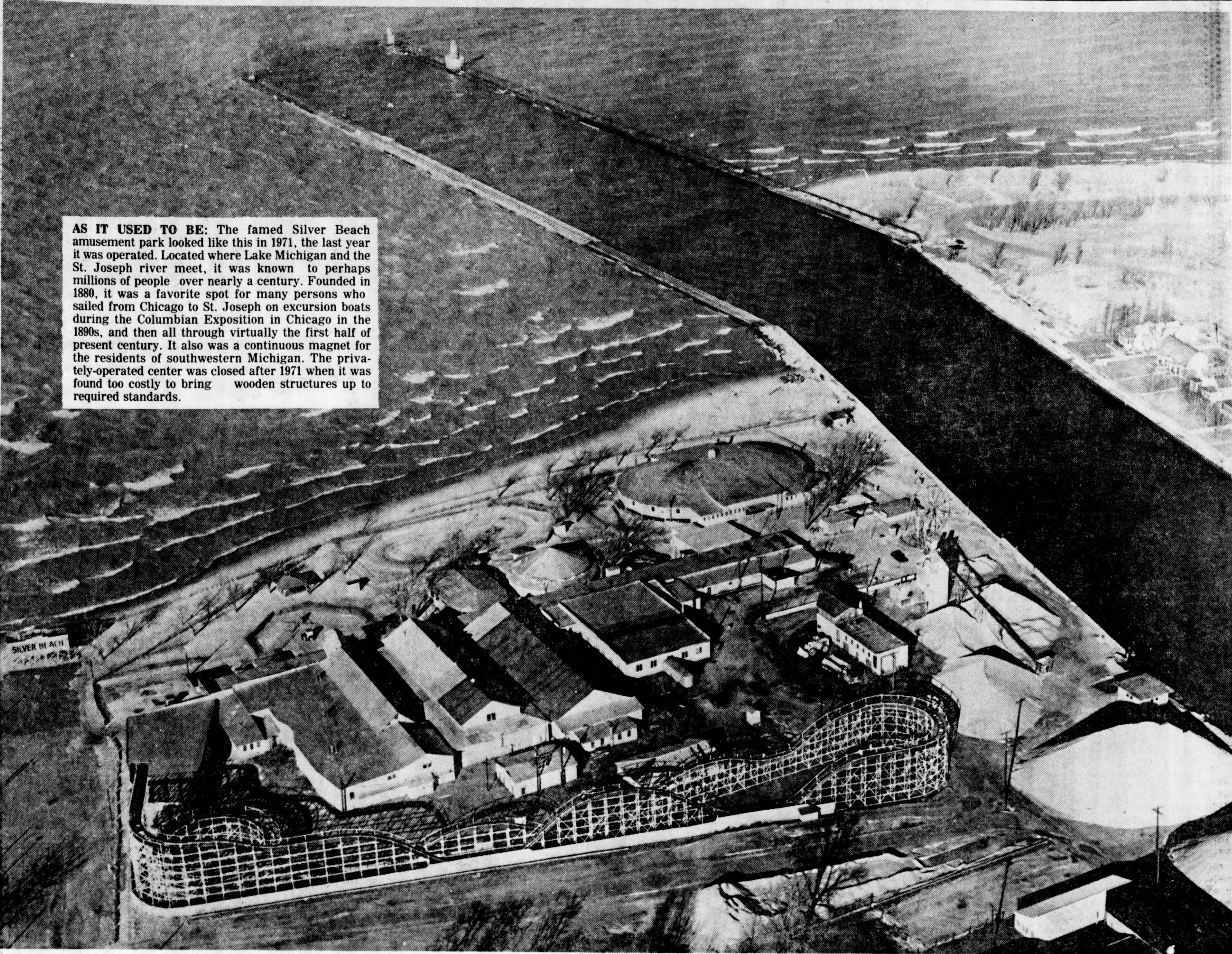
Skills Center. All equipment meets latest safety standards. Center director is S. Ward Ritchie. (Staff photos)



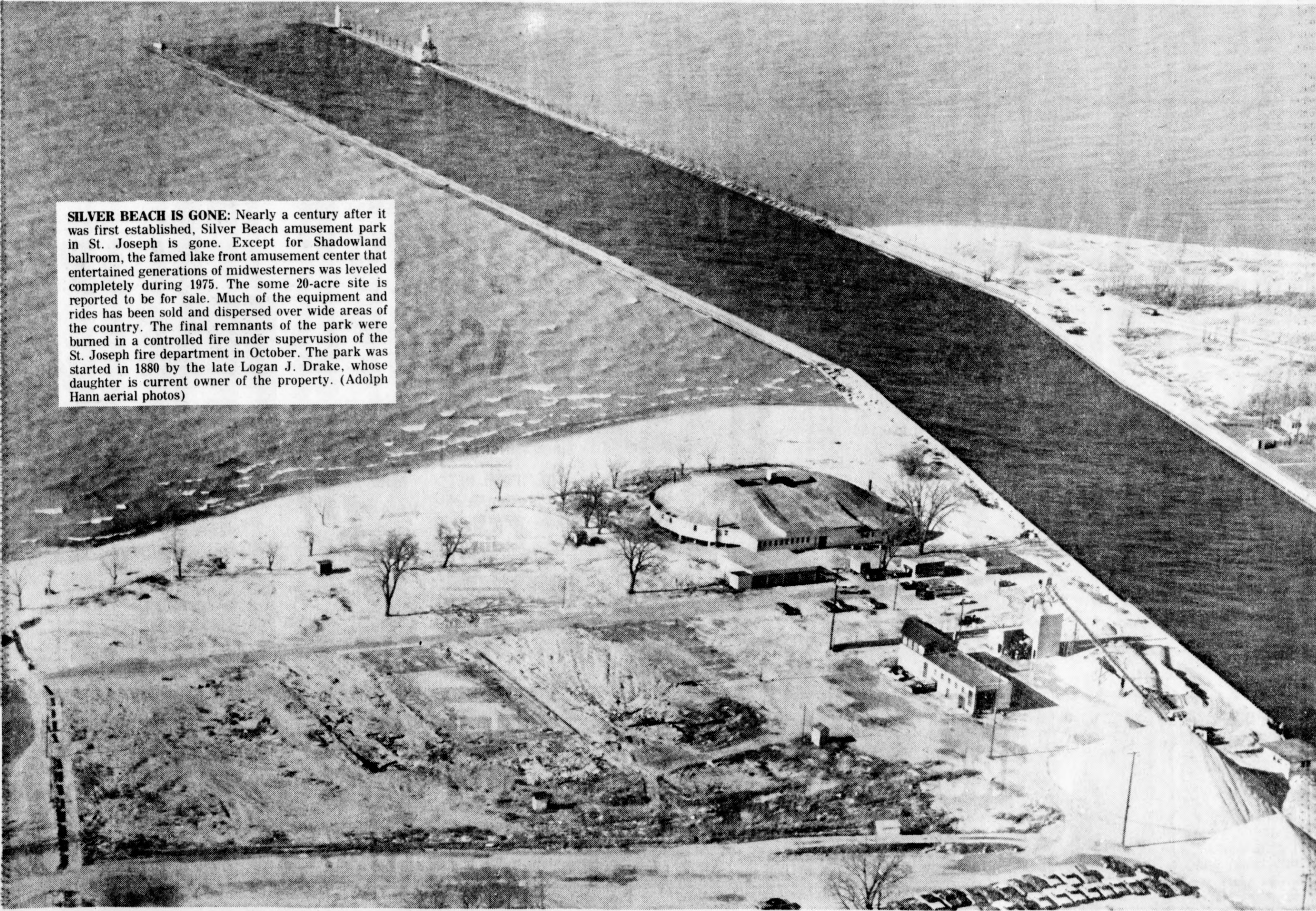
SUPER CAMERA: Robertson 500 process camera almost dwarfs Cal Kolhaas, commercial printing instructor at Van Buren Skills Center. Camera is similar to type used by many newspapers and commercial photography and printing companies.



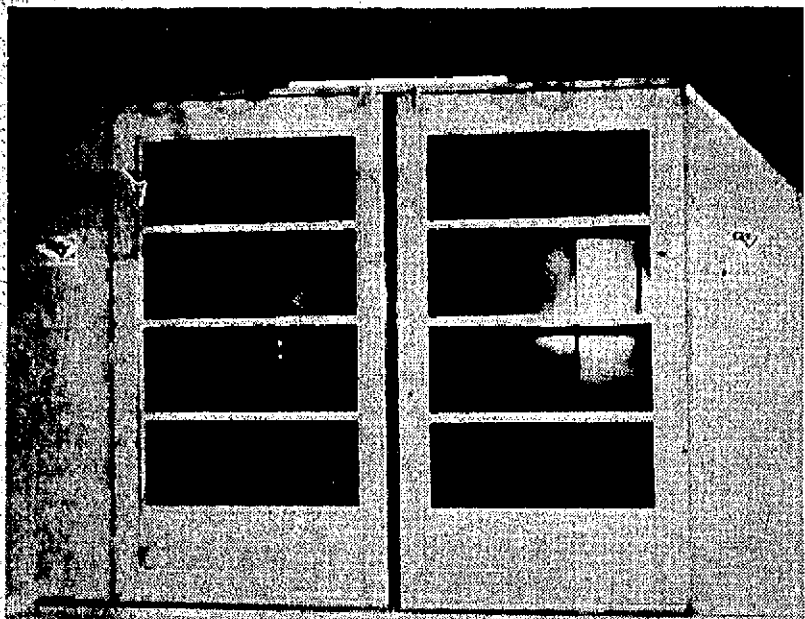
READY FOR USE: Drawing tables await commercial arts students in classroom at Van Buren Skills Center.



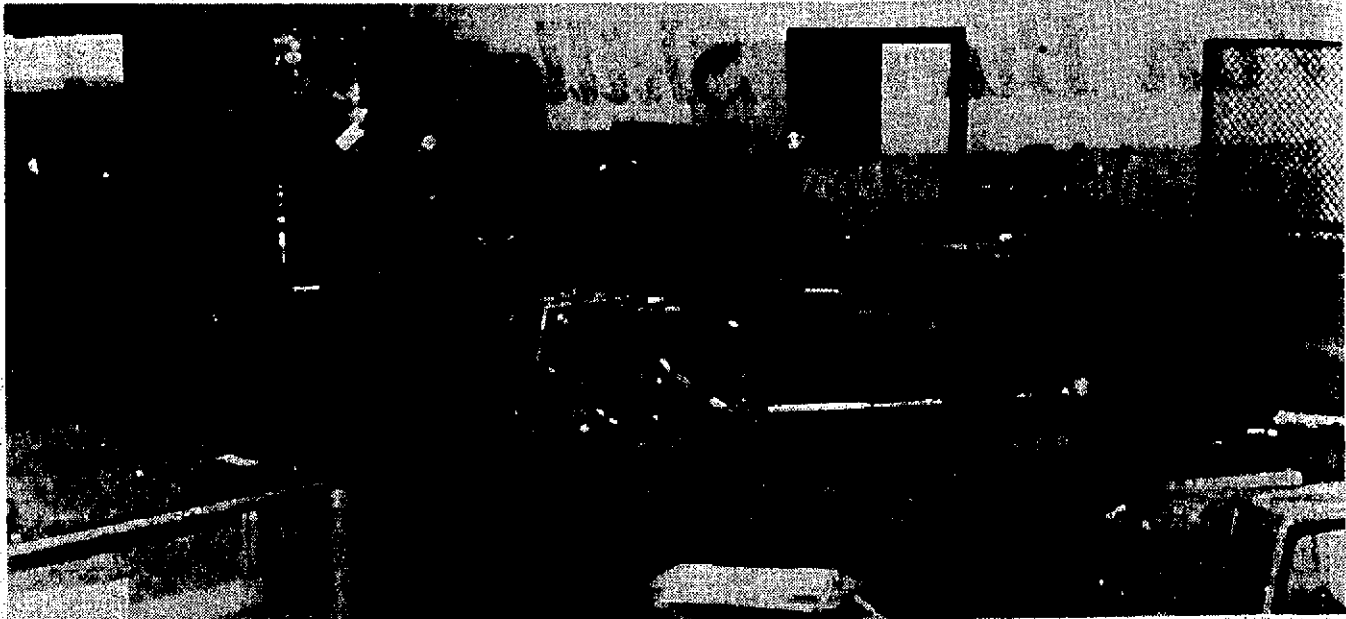
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SPRAY ROOM: Once students in auto body course at Van Buren Skills Center have finished repairing dents, they'll be able to paint cars and trucks in spray room similar to one used by major industries. (Staff photo)



WELL EQUIPPED: Don Nichols, machine trades instructor at Van Buren Skills Center, stands next to one of various precision metal-working machines in school's machine shop. Center offers two-year

programs in machine shop and plastics and one-year program in welding. (Staff photo)

Vanity License Censors Stay Busy

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — State censors are fighting a battle of wits with purchasers of vanity license plates who want to catch someone's eye and catch their breath, too.

The censors, who work out of the secretary of state's Administrative Services Division, are on the lookout for plates that are suggestive, misleading, offensive to ethnic groups and even cleverly disguised obscenities.

"One case we almost let go through turned out to be a vulgar word in reverse, one that would be noticed only when a driver in front looked in his rear view mirror," said Jean Marietta, who heads the censoring team.

Often two or three people review an application, reading it, saying it out loud, sometimes even holding it up to a mirror.

"Something that has no meaning to me may have meaning to someone else," Marietta says.

One driver wanted POLOCK on his plate, and was proud to be one, but other Poles in the office were offended by the slang, Marietta said.

And if two or three people get no "meaning" out of a request but are still suspect, they sometimes call Michigan State University's language department, or check other big dictionaries.

Since 1972, when the personalized or vanity plates were approved by the legislature, the office has processed more than 14,000 applications.

"We try to screen out plates even for the one person who would take offense at them," says Marietta, who does not use a personalized plate on his car.

"We've probably eliminated some we wouldn't have to, but we'd rather be safe than sorry."

Rejected as in "poor taste" or misleading were MR. SEXY, SEX PAD, TOP COP, US MAIL, POLOCK and KRAUT. SWEDDE and CANUCK were deemed all right, however.

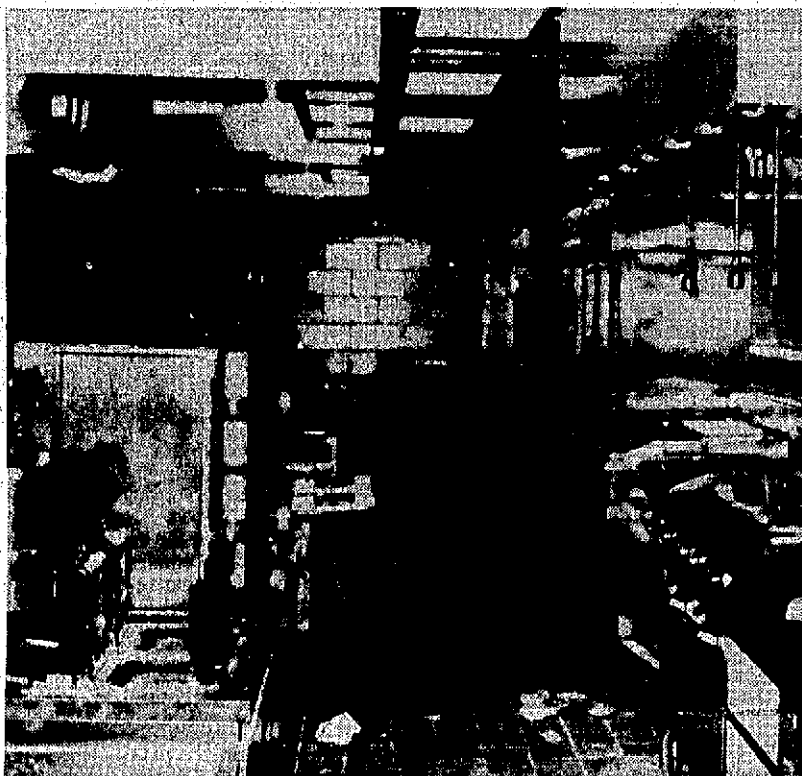
Others rejected were plain old gutter language — though GUTTER was approved — foreign obscenities, or medical-book terminology that, "if translated into gutter language, would turn out pretty filthy," Marietta said.

Most are innocent initials, names, maiden names, car names, occupations (PASTOR) or state names, Marietta said.

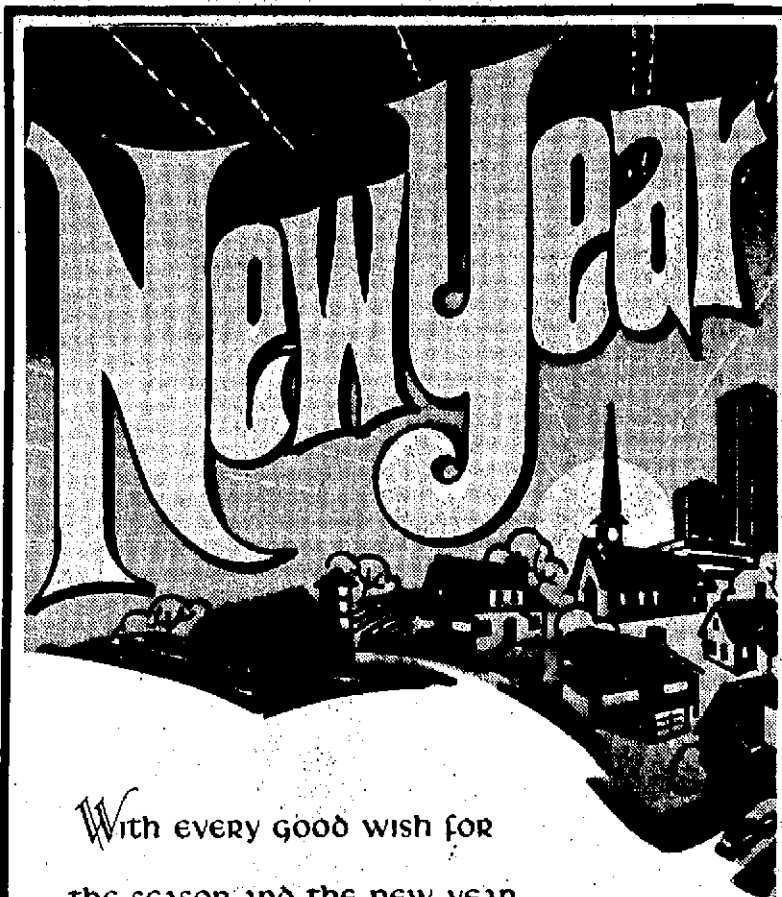
Others are easily approved, like SWEETY, BOO BOO, BIN-GO, ADIOS.

MY DAD, MY JOE and MY FOOT made it, too.

GO BLUE, GO MSU, GO BUCKS and GO NAVY reflect the school colors on the plates, and 200 YRS, USA 4 ME, USA 4 US and 1776 USA plaster patriotism on the already red-white-and-blue plates.



FOOD PREPARATION: Instruction in areas such as menu planning, food preparation, and customer relations will be offered students enrolled in food management course at Skills Center. Center has own cafeteria which schools officials said can be used for banquets for civic and school groups. (Staff photo)



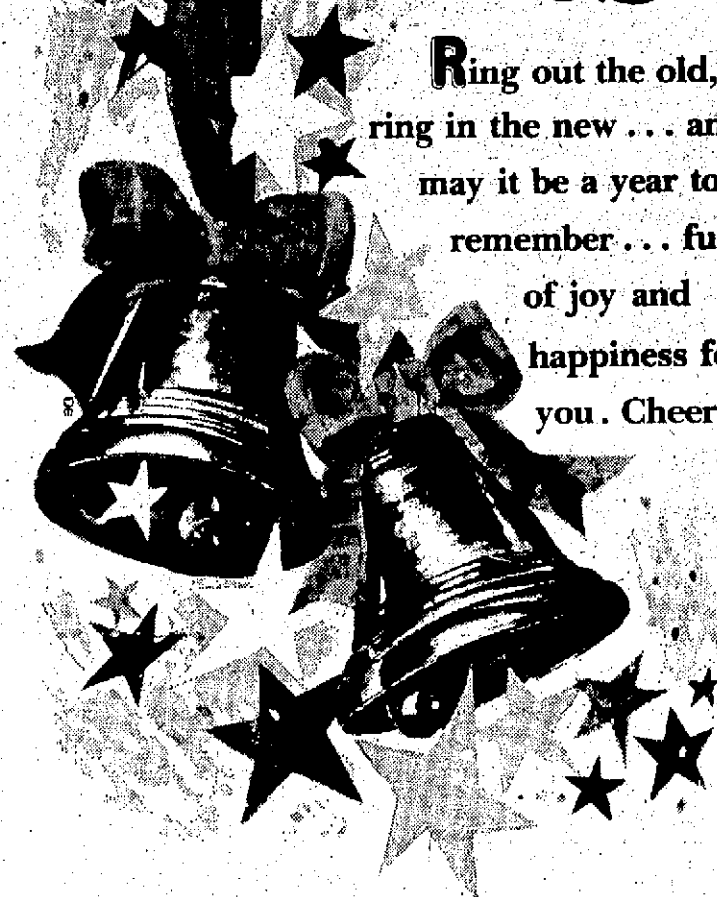
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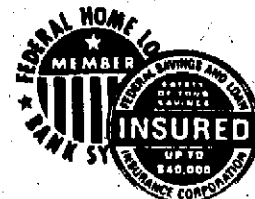
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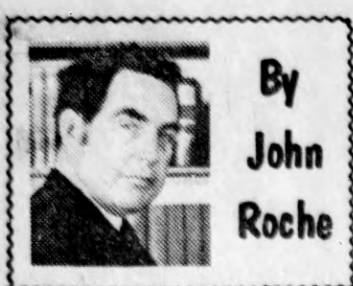
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By
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As we enter the last quarter of the 20th century, a shaken but still strong America stands as democracy's best defender and probably last hope, and certainly the best hope of workers everywhere. We of the AFL-CIO want America to be strong, as we want America to be true to herself, to her noblest ideals. We need a foreign policy and diplomatic process that reflects these ideals, not one characterized by secrecy and deceit.

Let us not celebrate the Bicentennial of the founding of our nation with mere rhetoric, but with a shift towards a policy of open diplomacy — a diplomacy of truth so that the American people will know what their government stands for. Only when they know the ideals of their government can the American people be mobilized to support its foreign policies.

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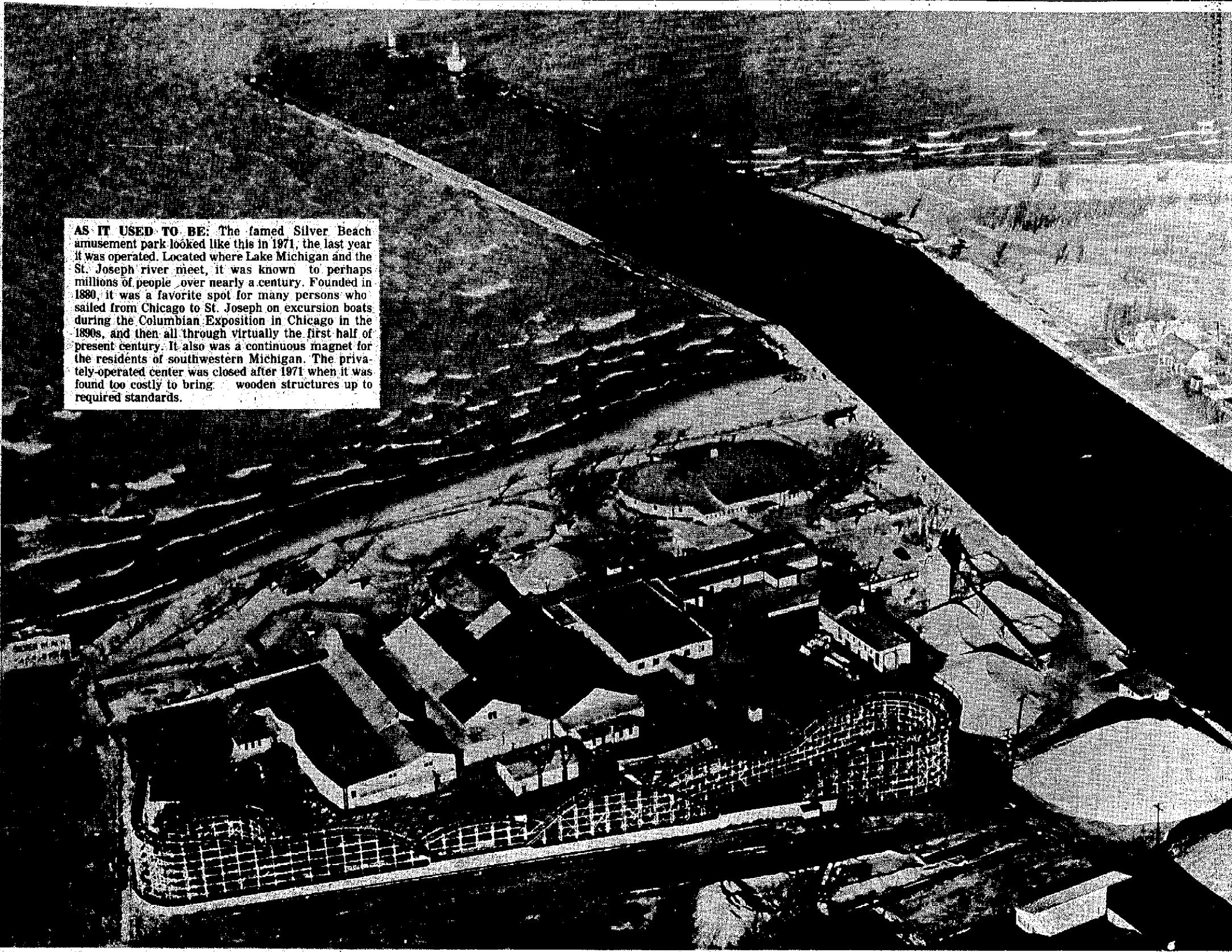
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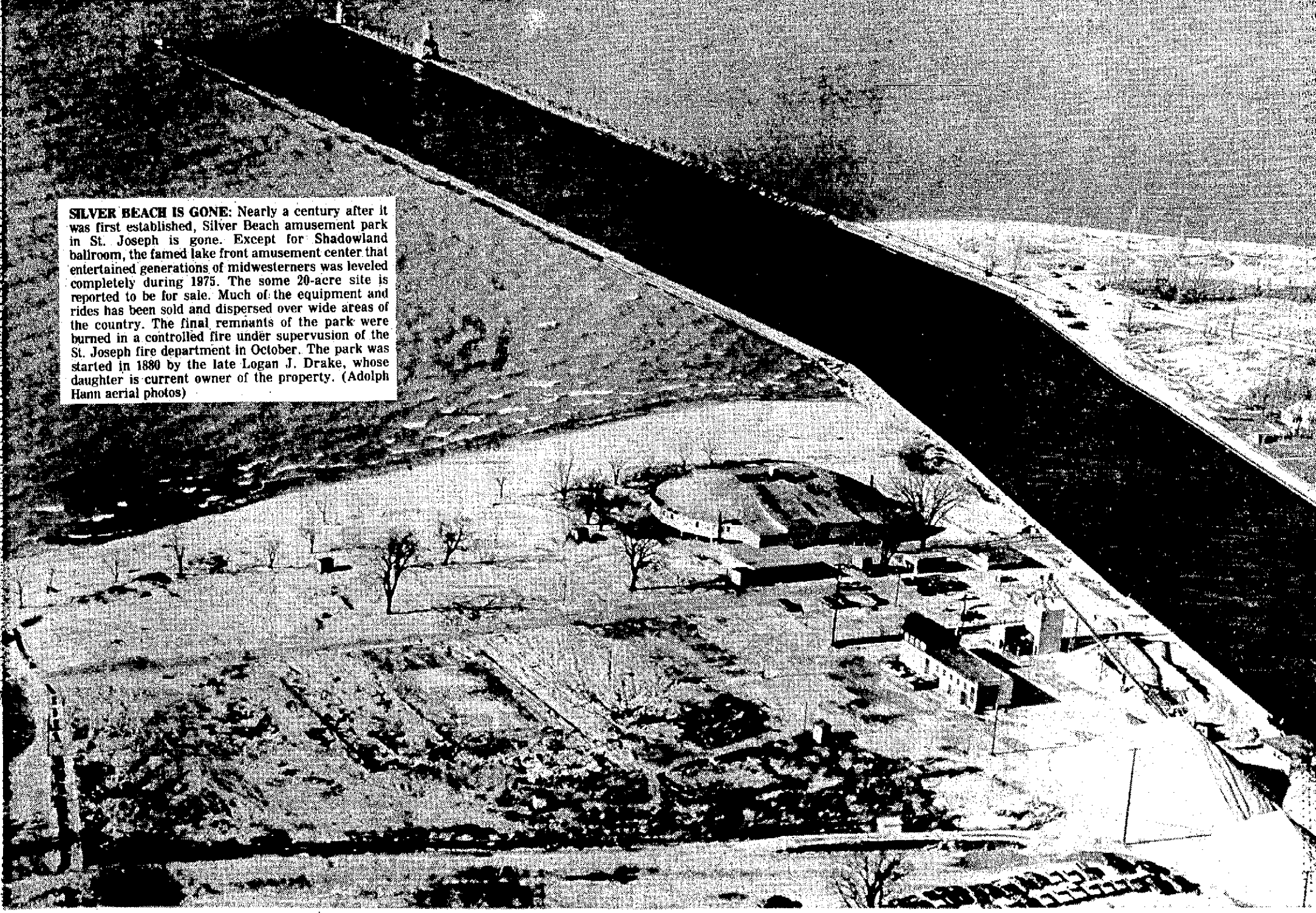
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By Bert Bacharach

A **PSYCHOLOGIST** explains the reason why more men than women are compulsive gamblers. It's because men are expected to be the bread-winners, and their self-esteem depends on their ability to acquire money. . . . The average Capricornian (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) is slow in showing emotion, regardless of the depth of his feelings. . . . Our Confusing Language: sag, saga, sage. . . . Item for a Lull-in-Conversation: "A perfect diamond submerged in water becomes completely invisible. Such a diamond is known as being 'of the first water.'" . . . Graphologists say when words are written close together, it indicates a person who likes to be with people. . . . Celebri-Tip from Polly Bergen: "A daily drink of a raw egg mixed vigorously with a little wine and honey will help keep the throat clear and relaxed." . . . Folklore: "If you kill a spider, it will rain." . . . Advice: The entire secret of a good memory is remembering to remember.

FADED PHRASES: "They're real raffish," "Her life is an open book" and "Talk is cheap." . . . Here's a new switch for late physical fitness. Patrons at the Chateau Madrid's Flamenco Suite get free lessons in the fiery Basque heel-and-toe terping. (Stomp, look and listen?). . . . Comedian Wayland Flowers heard Jimmy Connors sing and thinks he better stick to what he does best - fighting with Totie Fields! . . . Bill's Gay '90s, the memory lane spot on East 54th street, has a sign in its lobby: "Nostalgia Spoken Here!" . . . A collection of fine samovars is on view at the elegant Pen & Pencil. (Samovar best friends are collectors.) Sorry about that! . . . Audrey Hepburn plays the head of a convent in "Robin & Marian." (Nun better!). . . . Elton John bought a \$4,000 Monopoly set. (That's the one with real houses!). . . . Nobody can come up with a plot for "Jaws II." Alan King suggests they could start by having the shark come in for root canal work! . . . "Chicago" stars Gwen Verdon and Chita Rivera have the best four legs on Broadway!

TODAY In History

By Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, December 31, the last day of 1975.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1879, at Menlo Park, N.J., Thomas Edison first demonstrated the electric incandescent light.

On this date: In 1781, Henry Laurens of the American Continental Congress was released from the Tower of London in return for the British general, Charles Cornwallis.

In 1862, President Abraham Lincoln signed an act admitting West Virginia to the Union.

In 1890, Ellis Island in New York Harbor was opened as an immigration depot.

In 1890, General George Marshall was born in Uniontown, Pa.

In 1946, the end of World War II was proclaimed officially by President Harry Truman.

In 1951, the U.S. Marshall plan expired after distributing foreign aid amounting to \$12.5 billion.

Ten years ago: in Paris, the U.S. representative to the United Nations, Arthur Goldberg, told French President de Gaulle that the United States wanted an early and honorable settlement of the Vietnam conflict.

Five years ago: The Soviet Union commuted the death sentences of two Jews convicted of trying to hijack an airliner to Israel.

One year ago: The Richard Nixon Foundation dropped plans to build a library in honor of the former president.

Today's birthday: Industrialist James Ling is 53 years old.

Thought for today: When driving, lose a minute and save a life - anonymous.

Bicentennial footnote: Two hundred years ago today, the American general Richard Montgomery was killed and Benedict Arnold was wounded as they led an American attack against the Canadian city of Quebec.

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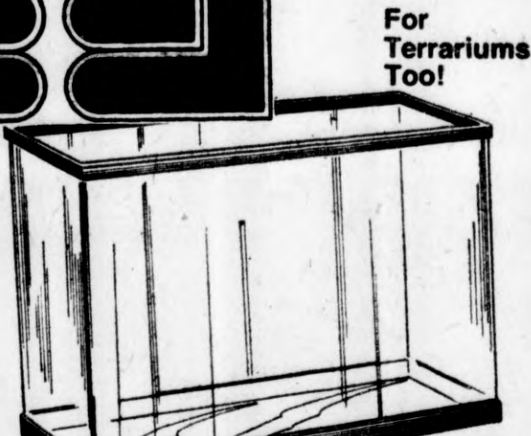
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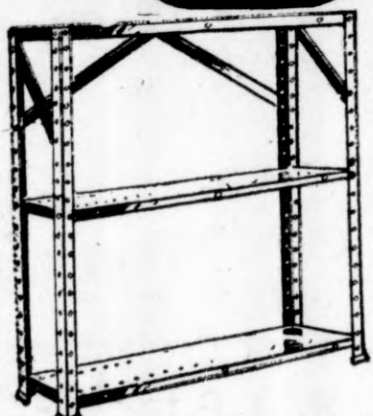
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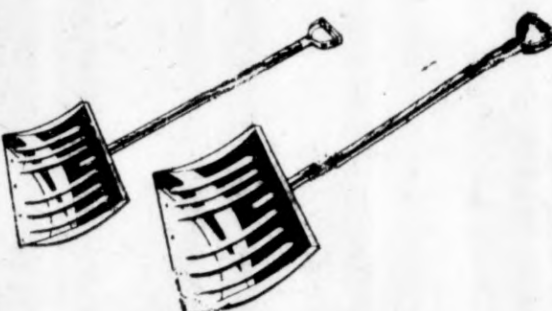
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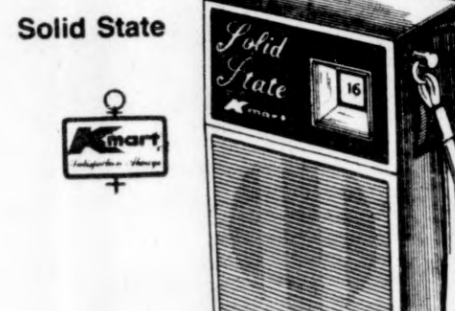
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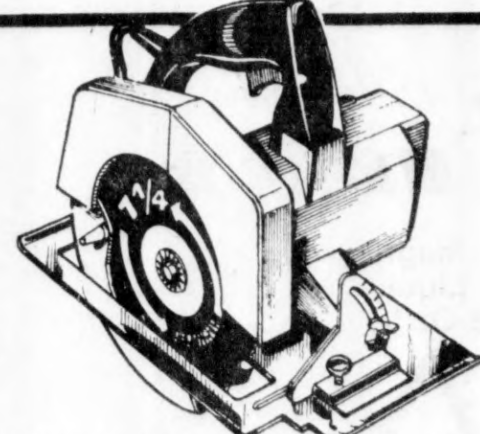
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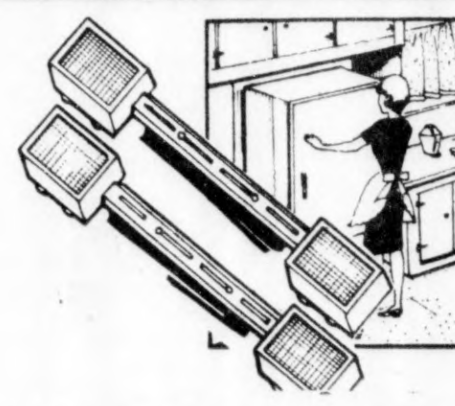
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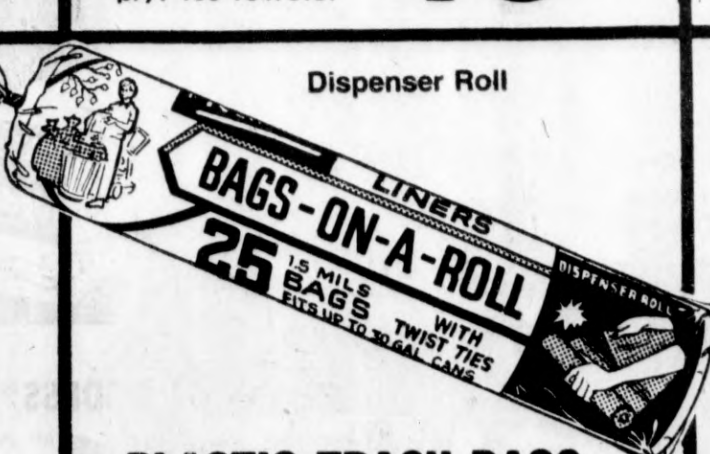
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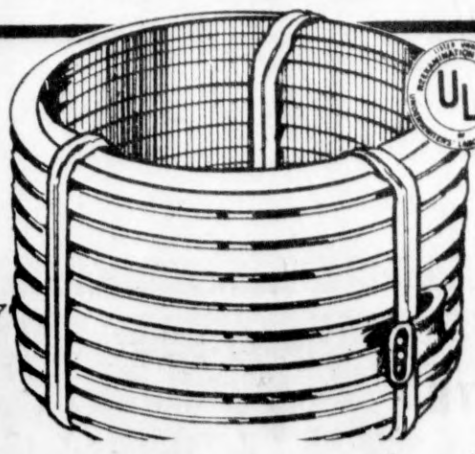
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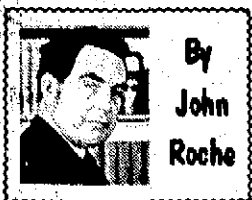


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As we enter the last quarter of the 20th century, a shaken but still strong America stands as democracy's best defender and probably last hope, and certainly the best hope of workers everywhere. We of the AFL-CIO want America to be strong, as we want America to be true to herself, to her noblest ideals. We need a foreign policy and diplomatic process that reflects these ideals, not one characterized by secrecy and deceit.

Let us not celebrate the Bicentennial of the founding of our nation with mere rhetoric, but with a shift towards a policy of open diplomacy — a diplomacy of truth so that the American people will know what their government stands for. Only when they know the deeds of their government can the American people be mobilized to support its foreign policies.



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Death's Hand Beckoned Southwest Michigan Leaders

The Grim Reaper, as usual, laid his unrelenting hand on many persons in southwestern Michigan during 1975. Of all ages and all callings, they represented a full cross section of the area's populace.

Daily without interruption their passings were counted in the obituary columns of this newspaper. Almost all were mourned, by varying numbers of friends and family.

Some whose achievements or positions left larger than normal vacancies behind them in their communities are remembered in the following columns:

JOHN A. GOVATOS, 66, was shot and killed Jan. 4 during a robbery of his Oasis party store, US-33 Hagar township.

DR. E. V. SERGEANT, 70, former Coloma physician, died Jan. 4, in Sun City, Ariz.

DONALD J. MOLTER, 58, owner of Molter's Nursery, Watervliet, died Jan. 4.

GEORGE LIGHT, 62, Benton Harbor, former co-owner of L&S Beverage Company, died Jan. 5.

SHELDON M. BOOTH SR., 85, of South Haven, owner of Diamond Tool Company, South Haven, died Jan. 6.

CARL A. NORDBERG, 67, of Escanaba, former superintendent of Mackinac Island state park and football star in the early 1930s for Michigan State

University, died Jan. 6 in Escanaba.

JONAS GELDER, 80, widely known Millburg businessman and civic and religious leader, died Jan. 8.

WILLIAM RECK, 65, native of St. Joseph who traveled to many parts of the world as a mining engineer, died Jan. 8.

FREDERICK A. HASSE, 85, retired Bainbridge Center fruit farmer, died Jan. 11.

JAMES K. SHANAHAN, 93, former businessman in Lawton and one time Lawton village official, died Jan. 11.

LEON R. CLARK, 56, former manager of the Petite Shoppe, Benton Harbor, and owner of clothing stores in Buchanan and South Bend, died Jan. 15.

MRS. ALEATHA MURPHY, 66, of Route 2, Coloma, former teacher and employee of this newspaper, died Jan. 16.

LEON J. HILL, 87, former Benton Harbor all-time football great, businessman and city commissioner, died Jan. 22 at West Branch.

ALFRED G. LINDBERG, 58, Bangor councilman, died Jan. 22.

SIMON BLACKMON, 75, Route 1, Box 106 Alma street, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 24.

STEPHEN MIGALA, 80, of St. Joseph, founder of Migala Rug Company, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 25.

MRS. BLANCHE E. BELL, 78, New Port Richey, Fla., formerly of Benton Harbor, died Jan. 29.

STEVE CROSSLEY, 64, of Benton Harbor, owner and operator of Steve and Marie's Second-Hand store, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 29.

ELMO HARRY NEWMAN, 64, Eau Claire, former owner and operator of Newman's Variety store, died Jan. 29.

CHARLES A. FORBURGER, 85, former owner of Guernsey Dairy, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 31 in Lakeland, Fla.

STANLEY MORSE, 65, of St. Joseph, retired vice president and general manager of the old A.B. Morse Company, died Feb. 1.

RUSSELL GORDON, 67, of 404 Dale avenue, St. Joseph township, died Feb. 4.

CARL T. METZ, 88, formerly of St. Joseph where he was principal of Trinity Lutheran school, died Feb. 4 in Tucson, Ariz.



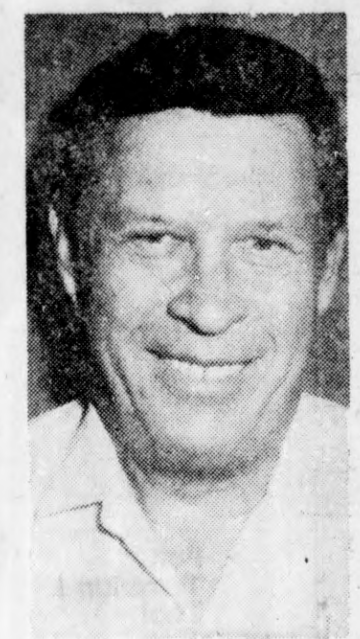
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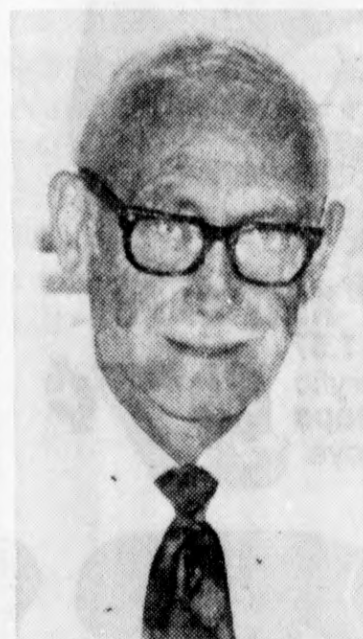
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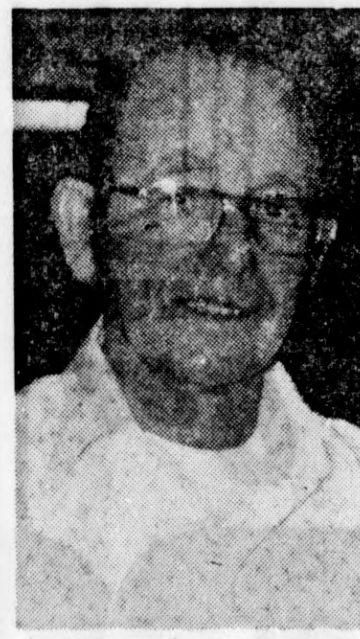
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STEVE CROSSLEY



JOHN GOVATOS



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WILLIAM HARRISON



MRS. ALEATHA MURPHY



MRS. MAUDE MOORE



SIMON BLACKMON



CHARLES FORBURGER

MRS. MAMIE C. BALLARD, 92, formerly of 2518 Langley, St. Joseph, died Feb. 4, in South Haven.

ANDREW C. FREITAG, 70, of St. Joseph, former pharmaceutical salesman and part owner of Knaak Pharmacy at Bridgman, died Feb. 5.

CHARLES ADAIR SR., 60, St. Joseph, president of Twin City Cab lines, died Feb. 6.

MRS. MAUDE MOORE, of 2303 Paw Paw avenue, Benton Harbor, died Feb. 9 in Berrien General hospital. Her age was variously reported as 93 and 116.

GRAYDON E. JONES, 61, of St. Joseph, vice president of production for Michigan Fruit Cannery, died Feb. 21.

REV. WILLIAM ESSIG, 89,

Stevensville, retired pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Stevensville, died Feb. 23.

DR. GLEN WILKINSON, 74, Paw Paw, a retired Paw Paw dentist, died Feb. 21.

CAROLINE PLUMMER, 60, former teacher at Gard school, St. Joseph, and wife of a former Lake Michigan college president, died Feb. 26 at Ann Arbor.

IRVIN C. MILLER, 91, Benton Harbor, producer of a successful Broadway musical in the early 1920s, died Feb. 26.

EVA I. MCKEE, 81, former Lawton correspondent for this newspaper, died Feb. 26.

WAYNE MABRY, 53, Bridgman mayor, died Feb. 27.

ARNO J. REDDEL, 60,

former vice president and general manager of Paramount Die Casting, Stevensville, died Feb. 28.

WILLIAM A. HARRISON, 45, a Buchanan township trustee, died March 4.

MRS. HELEN BURCH, 67, Cassopolis, Cass county treasurer since 1969, died March 5.

GEORGE ABRAHAM, 83, retired St. Joseph township farmer, died March 3.

CHARLES SCHPOK, 81, Dowagiac area truck farm

operator, died March 3.

ROBERT SHIRE, 63, Leesburg, Fla., former well-known employe in Twin Cities clothing stores, died March 6 in Tavares, Fla.

ROBERT L. TYLER JR., 45, Niles, president of Tyler Refrigeration division, Clark Equipment Company, died March 18.

ERNEST A. NITZ, 69, of Benton Harbor, owner and operator of Nitz Auto Service, died March 19.

RALPH H. WEGNER, 73,

mayor of Niles, was dead on arrival March 19 at Niles Pawating hospital.

MRS. DONALD PROSCH-JENSEN, 46, Fennville, was dead on arrival March 19 in Douglas Community hospital.

MRS. GEORGE RITTER, 49, Stevensville, co-owner of Ritter's Restaurant, died March 26.

MRS. EDITH SHEFFER, 79, Benton Harbor, former active civic worker, died March 26.

HAROLD D. SCHRIER, 75, Kalamazoo industrialist who was president of Pearl Grange

Fruit exchange, died March 25.

THOMAS G. WALTON, 61, formerly of Benton Harbor, a one-time Baroda school teacher and administrative assistant to the director of Michigan Department of Labor at time of his death, died April 3, in Pontiac.

DUANE STAFFORD, 59, owner and operator of Stafford funeral home, Bangor, died April 7.

MRS. ESTELLA BROWN, 82,

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By Bert Becker

A PSYCHOLOGIST explains the reason why more men than women are compulsive gamblers. It's because men are expected to be the bread-winners, and their self-esteem depends on their ability to acquire money. The average Capricornian (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) is slow in showing emotion, regardless of the depth of his feelings. Our Confusing Language: sag, saga, sage. Item for a Lull-in-Conversation: "A perfect diamond submerged in water becomes completely invisible. Such a diamond is known as being 'of the first water.'" Graphologists say when words are written close together, it indicates a person who likes to be with people. Celebri-Tip from Polly Bergen: "A daily drink of a raw egg mixed vigorously with a little wine and honey will help keep the throat clear and relaxed." Folklore: "If you kill a spider, it will rain." Advice: The entire secret of a good memory is remembering to remember.

FADED PHRASES: "They're real riffraff." "Her life is an open book" and "Talk is cheap." Here's a new switch for late physical fitness. Patrons at the Chateau Madrid's Flamenco Suite get free lessons in the fiery Basque heel-and-toe terping. (Stomp, look and listen?). Comedian Wayland Flowers heard Jimmy Connors sing and thinks he better stick to what he does best - fighting with Totie Fields! Bill's Gay '90s, the memory lane spot on East 54th street, has a sign in its lobby: "Nostalgia Spoken Here!" A collection of fine samovars is on view at the elegant Pen & Pencil. (Samovar best friends are collectors.) Sorry about that! Audrey Hepburn plays the head of a convent in "Robin & Marian." (Nun better!) Elton John bought a \$4,000 Monopoly set. (That's the one with real houses!) Nobody can come up with a plot for "Jaws II." Alan King suggests they could start by having the shark come in for root canal work. "Chicago" stars Gwen Verdon and Chita Rivera have the best four legs on Broadway!

TODAY In History

By Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, December 31, the last day of 1975.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1870, at Menlo Park, N.J., Thomas Edison first demonstrated the electric incandescent light.

On this date: In 1781, Henry Laurens of the American Continental Congress was released from the Tower of London in return for the British general, Charles Cornwallis.

In 1862, President Abraham Lincoln signed an act admitting West Virginia to the Union.

In 1890, Ellis Island in New York Harbor was opened as an immigration depot.

In 1890, General George Marshall was born in Uniontown, Pa.

In 1946, the end of World War II was proclaimed officially by President Harry Truman.

In 1951, the U.S. Marshall plan expired after distributing foreign aid amounting to \$12.5 billion.

Ten years ago: In Paris, the U.S. representative to the United Nations, Arthur Goldberg, told French President de Gaulle that the United States wanted an early and honorable settlement of the Vietnam conflict.

Five years ago: The Soviet Union commuted the death sentences of two Jews convicted of trying to hijack an airliner to Israel.

One year ago: The Richard Nixon Foundation dropped plans to build a library in honor of the former president.

Today's birthday: Industrialist James Ling is 53 years old.

Thought for today: When driving, lose a minute and save a life - **anymore.**

Bicentennial footnote: Two hundred years ago today, the American general Richard Montgomery was killed and Benedict Arnold was wounded as they led an American attack against the Canadian city of Quebec.

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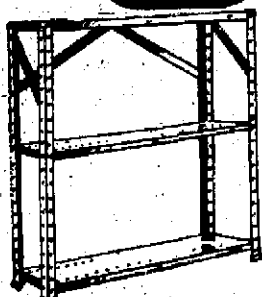
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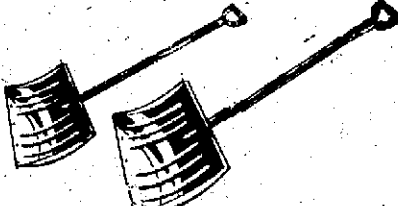
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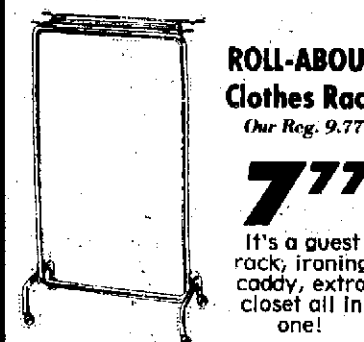
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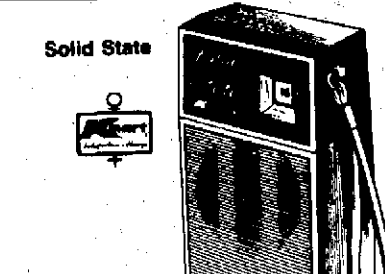
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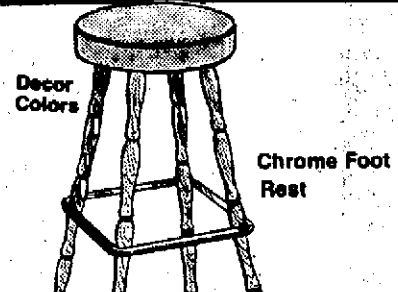
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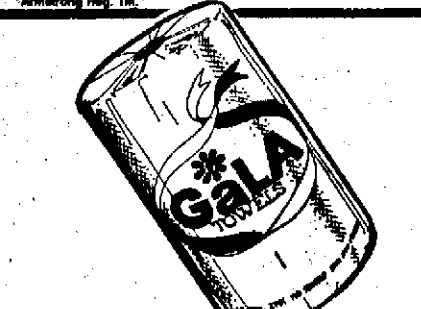
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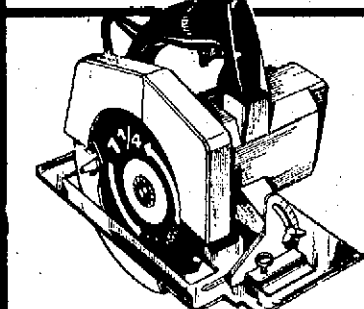
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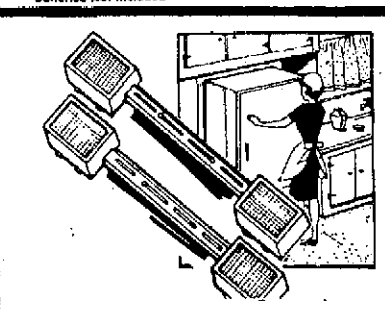
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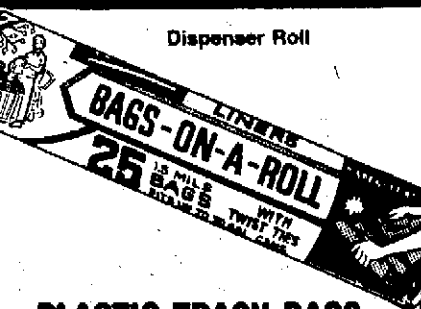
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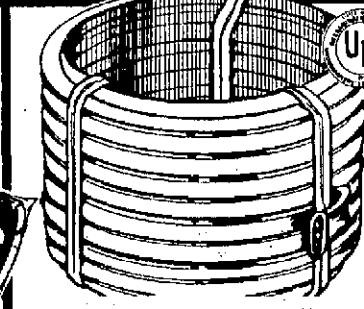
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They Will Be Remembered

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Benton Harbor, last surviving charter member of the Pilgrim Rest Baptist church, Benton Harbor, died April 7.

CLIFFORD W. SMITH, 81, former Benton Harborite and Western Electric Co. executive died April 13 at Laguna Hills, Calif.

MRS. METTA HAYES, 92, oldest member of Union Memorial AME church, Benton Harbor, died April 18.

ARTHUR L. AREND, 74, St. Joseph, retired Whirlpool foreman, died April 25 in Sanford, Fla.

SIDNEY VOLK, 84, former Benton Harbor businessman and inventor, died April 25 in Elkhart, Ind.

ERVIN ISBRECHT, 43, Route 4, Benton Harbor, member of

Watervliet school board, died April 30.

REV. FR. FRANCIS E. TIMMONS, 59, with the parish of Immaculate Conception Catholic church, Hartford, and former pastor of St. Mark's Catholic church in Niles, died May 1.

VINCENT W. SWITZER, 89, Fairplain, retired industrial executive, died May 3.

MRS. ANNA ANKLI, 2232 Mount Curve, St. Joseph, died May 2.

ROGER McDONALD, 56, Benton Harbor, former manager of South Bend Country club and former assistant manager at Berrien Hills Country club, died May 4.

MISS DOROTHY GRIDLEY, 67, Benton Harbor, retired personnel director for City of Benton Harbor, died May 5.

DR. H. R. OBERHILL, 58, Route 4, Dowagiac, a staff member of Lee Memorial hospital, Dowagiac, died May 5.

LESLIE R. SPEESE, 82, Benton Harbor, former director of Berrien County department of social welfare, died May 9.

JOHN SAMS, JR., 46, Benton Harbor, formerly employed by Benton Harbor City Water department, died May 3 at Memorial hospital.

ROBERT BIASTOCK, 51, Benton Harbor, owner and operator of Bywater's Food Mart, died May 14.

LT. LAURENCE FROELICH, 25, of Sodus, an honor graduate of Benton Harbor high and U.S. Air Force academy, died May 16 in the crash of a helicopter in Thailand.

JOHN P. PROVENZANO, 60, Benton Harbor, former broker

on Benton Harbor Fruit Market, died May 17 in Tucson, Ariz.

PETER KRAAK, 76, Route 1, Decatur, former owner of Hartford Metal Protection Company, died May 17.

MISS EVELYN VOGEL, 77, Crystal Lake, Ill., formerly of St. Joseph, retired guidance director at Benton Harbor junior high school, died May 20.

HAROLD D. TEDDY, 51, Lansing, former New Buffalo State Police post lieutenant, died May 29.

MISS LOUISE R. WOOD, 98, Bangor, member of first graduating class of Western Michigan university, died May 29.

MEREDITH RYNEARSON, 51, Stevensville, former acting Benton Harbor police chief, died June 1.

MRS. GERTRUDE ROBINSON, 84, Benton Harbor, widow of the late Berrien County Circuit Judge Thomas N. Robinson, died June 2.

GEORGE N. MILLER JR., 65, St. Joseph, president and founder of George Miller and Sons, Inc., died June 5.

MRS. TERESA LERA, 24, Benton Harbor, died June 11 in Memorial hospital.

HARDING A. DEY, 54, St. Joseph, prominently known mortician in the Twin Cities, died June 11.

MRS. BERNICE KEPP, 51, Coloma, wife of Edward Kepp, official of Local 1918, IAM union, died June 13.

MRS. CAROLYN CENTENIA GIDDINGS, 98, Paw Paw, the oldest of all alumni of Lawton high school, died June 14.

ADOLPH BROSKI, 56, Fremont, Calif., former owner and operator of The Pine Pub, St. Joseph, died June 15.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN FLORIN, St. Joseph, died within four hours of each other, June 17.

MORTON OBSTFELD, 59, Berrien Springs, owner and operator of Berrien Opticians, died June 17.

RAYMOND R. "DICK" HAUCH, 62, St. Joseph, died June 18.

DORR D. DEAN, 57, former part owner and manager of

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VINCENT W. SWITZER



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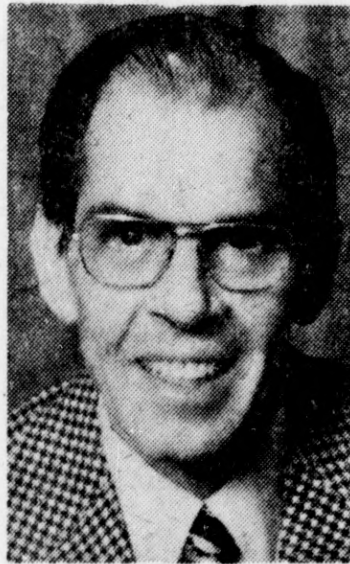
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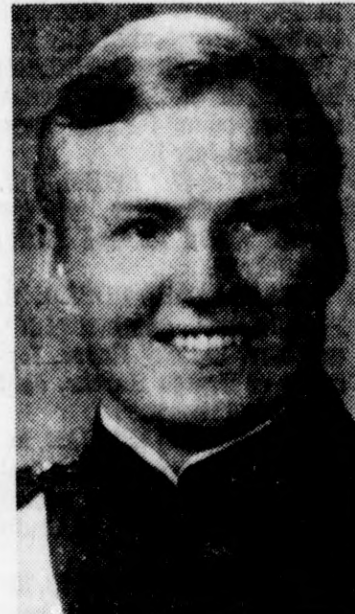
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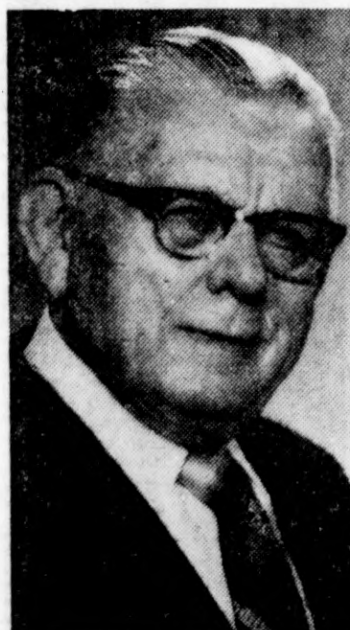
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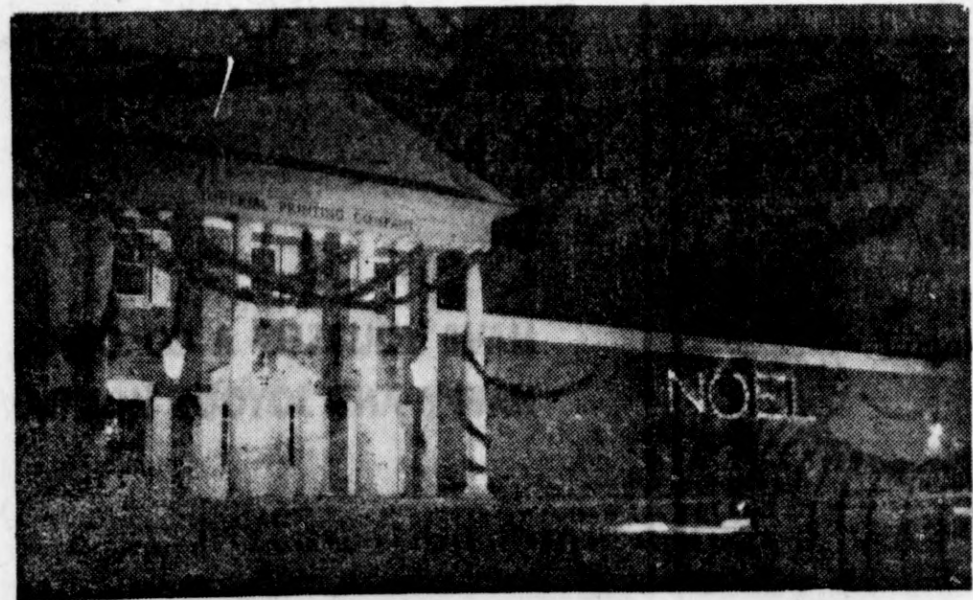


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May your holidays be filled with light and laughter, and blessed with those gifts which are equally precious whether given by friend or stranger — good cheer and understanding, sympathy and forbearance, and, above all, good will, that rare form of love which embraces all beings.



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But it is a nation which built more miles of highways, more miles of railroad track than any other in fact, more than most put together.

A nation that built the Panama Canal . . . Which invented the steamboat, the sewing machine, the internal combustion engine, farm combines and the automobile.

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Which discovered SALK vaccine . . . and penicillium.

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The nation which developed artificial rubber, and scores of synthetic materials for making clothing.

Which unhesitatingly has helped feed less fortunates around the world . . .

Even if we have made mistakes . . . Including approving the idea of enslaving our fellow men . . . And we turned family against family as we fought the worlds largest, most bitter CIVIL WAR because of that fact . . .

But we also fought and won the two bloodiest wars in all of history . . .

Perfection is not ours . . . We have failed to find an alternative for war . . . nor have we dispensed with racial hatred . . . And several medical killers, including heart attacks, and cancer continue to baffle us.

Hopefully this generation now taking over leadership of this great country will solve these problems.

But in spite of some shortcomings, keep in mind that this generation, and the ones before it, made more progress in two centuries, than the entire world made in the preceeding seventeen!

And finally, we hope you remember the story of Philip Nolan, in the story of "A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY" . . . "Breathes there a man with soul so dead "That to himself has never said, "This is my own, my native land"

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Death's Hand Beckoned Southwest Michigan Leaders

The Grim Reaper, as usual, laid his unrelenting hand on many persons in southwestern Michigan during 1975. Of all ages and all callings, they represented a full cross section of the area's populace.

Daily without interruption their passings were counted in the obituary columns of this newspaper. Almost all were mourned, by varying numbers of friends and family.

Some whose achievements or positions left larger than normal vacancies behind them in their communities are remembered in the following columns:

JOHN A. GOVATOS, 66, was shot and killed Jan. 4 during a robbery of his Oasis party store, US-31 Hagar township.

DR. E. V. SERGEANT, 70, former Coloma physician, died Jan. 4, in Sun City, Ariz.

DONALD J. MOLTER, 58, owner of Molter's Nursery, Waterford, died Jan. 4.

GEORGE LIGHT, 62, Benton Harbor, former co-owner of L&S Beverage Company, died Jan. 5.

SHELDON M. BOOTH SR., 84, of South Haven, owner of Diamond Tool Company, South Haven, died Jan. 6.

CARL A. NORDBERG, 87, of Escanaba, former superintendent of Mackinac Island state park and football star in the early 1930s for Michigan State

University, died Jan. 6 in Escanaba.

JONAS GELDER, 80, widely known Millburg businessman and civic and religious leader, died Jan. 8.

WILLIAM RECK, 65, native of St. Joseph who traveled to many parts of the world as a mining engineer, died Jan. 8.

FREDERICK A. HASSE, 85, retired Bainbridge Center fruit farmer, died Jan. 11.

JAMES K. SHANAHAN, 93, former businessman in Lawton and one time Lawton village official, died Jan. 11.

LEON R. CLARK, 56, former manager of the Petite Shoppe, Benton Harbor, and owner of clothing stores in Buchanan and South Bend, died Jan. 15.

MRS. ALEATHA MURPHY, 86, of Route 2, Coloma, former teacher and employee of this newspaper, died Jan. 16.

LEON J. HILL, 87, former Benton Harbor all-time football great, businessman and city commissioner, died Jan. 22 at West Branch.

ALFRED G. LINDBERG, 58, Bangor councilman, died Jan. 22.

SIMON BLACKMON, 75, Route 1, Box 106 Alma street, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 24.

STEPHEN MIGALA, 80, of St. Joseph, founder of Migala Rug Company, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 25.

MRS. BLANCHE E. BELL, 78, New Port Richey, Fla., formerly of Benton Harbor, died Jan. 29.

STEVE CROSSLEY, 84, of Benton Harbor, owner and operator of Steve and Marie's Second-Hand store, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 29.

ELMO HARRY NEWMAN, 94, Eau Claire, former owner and operator of Newman's Variety store, died Jan. 28.

CHARLES A. FORBURGER, 85, former owner of Guernsey Dairy, Benton Harbor, died Jan. 31 in Lakeland, Fla.

STANLEY MORSE, 85, of St. Joseph, retired vice president and general manager of the old A.B. Morse Company, died Feb. 1.

RUSSELL GORDON, 87, of 404 Dule avenue, St. Joseph township, died Feb. 4.

CARL T. METZ, 88, formerly of St. Joseph where he was principal of Trinity Lutheran school, died Feb. 4 in Tucson, Ariz.



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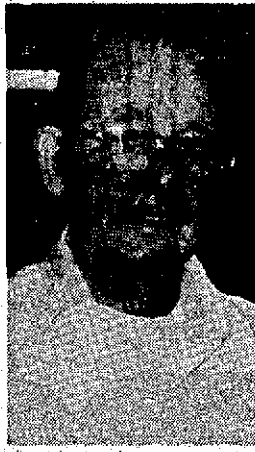
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MRS. MAUDE MOORE



SIMON BLACKMON



CHARLES FORBURGER

MRS. MAMIE C. BALLARD, 92, formerly of 2518 Langley, St. Joseph, died Feb. 4, in South Haven.

ANDREW C. FREITAG, 70, of St. Joseph, former pharmaceuticals salesman and part owner of Knaak Pharmacy at Bridgman, died Feb. 5.

CHARLES ADAIR SR., 60, St. Joseph, president of Twin City Cab lines, died Feb. 6.

MRS. MAUDE MOORE, of 2803 Paw Paw avenue, Benton Harbor, died Feb. 9 in Berrien General hospital. Her age was variously reported as 83 and 116.

GRAYDON E. JONES, 81, of St. Joseph, vice president of production for Michigan Fruit Canners, died Feb. 21.

REV. WILLIAM ESSIG, 89,

Stevensville, retired pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Stevensville, died Feb. 23.

DR. GLEN WILKINSON, 74, Paw Paw, a retired Paw Paw dentist, died Feb. 21.

CAROLINE PLUMMER, 80, former teacher at Gard school, St. Joseph, and wife of a former Lake Michigan college president, died Feb. 26 at Ann Arbor.

IRVIN C. MILLER, 91, Benton Harbor, producer of a successful Broadway musical in the early 1920s, died Feb. 26.

EVA I. MCKEE, 81, former Lawton correspondent for this newspaper, died Feb. 26.

WAYNE MABRY, 53, Bridgman mayor, died Feb. 27.

ARNO J. REDDEL, 60,

former vice president and general manager of Paramount Die Casting, Stevensville, died Feb. 28.

WILLIAM A. HARRISON, 45, a Buchanan township trustee, died March 4.

MRS. HELEN BURCH, 67, Cassopolis, Cass county treasurer since 1969, died March 5.

GEORGE ABRAHAM, 83, retired St. Joseph township farmer, died March 3.

CHARLES SCHPOK, 81, Dowagiac area truck farm

operator, died March 3.

ROBERT SHIRE, 63, Leesburg, Fla., former well-known employee in Twin Cities clothing stores, died March 6 in Tavares, Fla.

ROBERT L. TYLER JR., 45, Niles, president of Tyler Refrigeration division, Clark Equipment Company, died March 18.

ERNEST A. NITZ, 69, of Benton Harbor, owner and operator of Nitzz Auto Service, died March 18.

RALPH H. WEGNER, 73,

mayor of Niles, was dead on arrival March 19 at Niles Pawtling hospital.

MRS. DONALD PROSCH-JENSEN, 46, Fennville, was dead on arrival March 19 in Douglas Community hospital.

MRS. GEORGE RITTER, 49, Stevensville, co-owner of Ritter's Restaurant, died March 26.

MRS. EDITH SHEFFER, 79, Benton Harbor, former active civic worker, died March 26.

HAROLD D. SCHRIER, 75, Kalamazoo industrialist who was president of Pearl Grange

Fruit exchange, died March 25.

THOMAS G. WALTON, 81, formerly of Benton Harbor, a one-time Baroda school teacher and administrative assistant to the director of Michigan Department of Labor at time of his death, died April 3, in Pontiac.

DUANE STAFFORD, 59, owner and operator of Stafford funeral home, Bangor, died April 7.

MRS. ESTELLA BROWN, 82,

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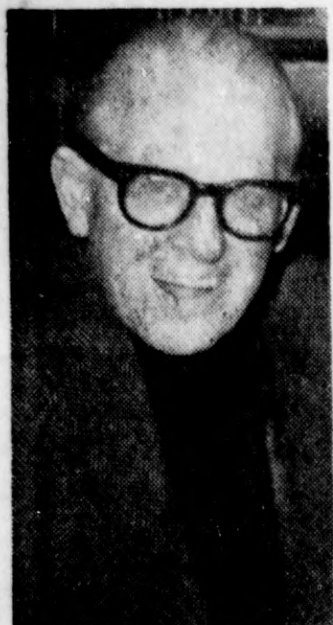
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Silver Mill Frozen Foods, Inc., Eau Claire, died June 18.



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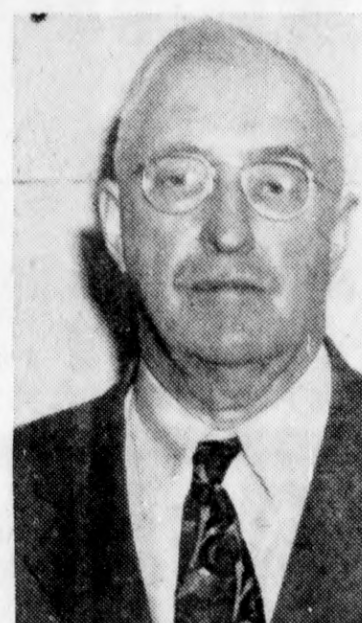
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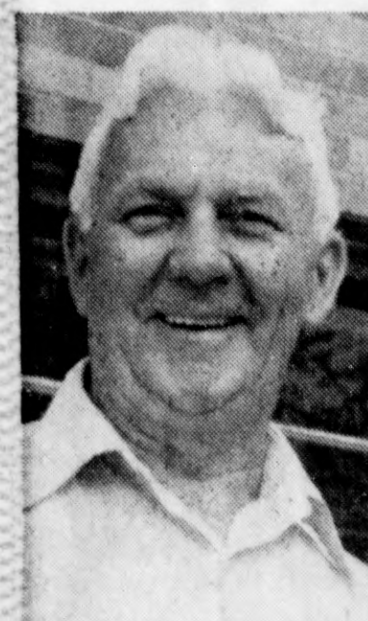
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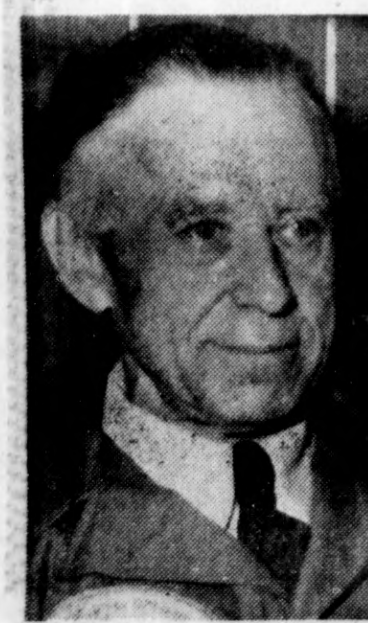
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MRS. KATHERINE C. MURPHY, 79, widow of Dr. Norman D. Murphy, former doctor in Bangor, died June 20.

MRS. HENRIK (LILLIAN C.) STAFSETH, 58, wife of the former director of the Michigan Department of Highways, died

June 10.

MRS. ELIZABETH ROE, 66, St. Joseph, died June 28.

MRS. LEE WILLIAMS, supervisor of housekeeping department at Berrien General hospital, died July 4.

EMIL MEYER, 72, Benton Harbor, long-time operator of Emil Meyer Auto Service, Benton Harbor, died July 7.

WILLIAM SHUSHMAN, 51, Benton Harbor, died July 6, at Louis Weiss Memorial hospital, Chicago.

ERNEST L. FROELICH, 59, Decatur, well-known conservationist, farmer and Hamilton township trustee, died July 10.

MRS. G. HAROLD (HELEN) BAKER, 67, St. Joseph, former women's editor for this newspaper died July 15.

LOWELL O. SWEM, 67, Buchanan, founder of the former Swem funeral home, died July 19.

MISS BARBARA ROPER, 56, Phoenix, Ariz., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Roper, formerly of Benton Harbor, died July 20 in Phoenix.

MRS. E. (IDA) KILLIAN, 93, widow of a former superintendent of Allegan public school system, died July 27 in South Haven.

ROBERT E. BETSON, 53, St. Joseph, manager of Whirlpool sales accounting division, was dead on arrival July 29 at Little Traverse hospital, Petoskey.

MARVIN SPAYDE, 70, Gobles registered pharmacist, died Aug. 3 at his home.

ELMER ORMISTON, 84, former Benton Harbor city commissioner, educator and insurance agent, died July 26 in Bradenton, Fla.

ROBERT W. DOERR, 63, Stevensville, former owner and operator of the R.W. Doerr and Associates Commercial Photography company, died Aug. 6.

MRS. LARRY FEGEL, 26, of Grand Rapids, formerly of St. Joseph, died Aug. 5 in Grand Rapids.

LAWRENCE WESTERBY, 49, Benton Harbor, psychologist for Berrien County Intermediate school district, died Aug. 8.

HARRY G. KREIDER, 78, retired former executive director of the Benton Harbor YMCA, died Aug. 6 in Mt. Dora, Fla.

WILLIAM POST, 63, Grand Rapids, formerly of Fennville and president of North Star Bus Lines, died Aug. 10.

AUGUSTA PARKER, 46, 696 Buss Benton Harbor, died Aug. 16.

VICTOR E. CORRELL, 65, former Bloomingdale township treasurer for 17 years, died Aug. 20.

MRS. EMMA CLARK, 96, of 402 Walnut street, Benton Harbor, died Aug. 19 in Berrien General hospital.

CAPT. RICHARD DEPOLDER, 83, of 564 Columbus avenue, Benton Harbor, retired Great Lakes captain, died Aug. 26.

WILLIAM WESNER, 61, St. Joseph auto dealer, died Aug. 28.

AMOS J. FIRME, 76, of Stevensville, former owner of Wall Clean Company, Benton Harbor, died Aug. 28.

WALLACE LOMOE, 78, South Haven, who retired as executive editor and vice-president of the Milwaukee Journal in 1962, died Sept. 7.

ARTHUR SCHUTZE, 58, Baroda, former council member and fire chief died Sept. 11.

REV. LLOYD ZOSCHKE, 81, St. Joseph, retired pastor of Eau Claire Community United Church of Christ, died Sept. 12.

MRS. NELLIE HALBY, 85, Stevensville, owner and operator of Halby's Jam and Jelly Kitchen, Stevensville, died Sept. 20.

NORMAN W. HARRIS, 52, Berrien Springs schools physical education teacher, died Sept. 24.

MRS. MARGARET B. UPTON, 80, St. Joseph, died in

juries received in a one-car accident Sept. 24.

WILLIAM DE CROCKER, 82, former mayor and volunteer fireman of Bloomingdale, died Oct. 1.

DOUGLAS FEATHER, 24, Anaheim, Calif., son of Oronoko Township Supervisor and Mrs. Robert Feather, Berrien Springs, died Sept. 24 in Anaheim.

MARTIN KASISCHKE, 82, St. Joseph, former St. Joseph city commissioner, died Oct. 3.

JOHN GIARAS, 85, founder of the first truck line in the Twin Cities, died Oct. 4.

ALBERT A. ROMEO SR., 76, owner of the Bluebird tavern and champion fund raiser for Berrien county March of Dimes, died Oct. 5.

MISS MARY CLEMENS, 87, St. Joseph, died Oct. 7.

LLOYD J. MARTIN, 67, a longtime leader in Lawton, died Oct. 11.

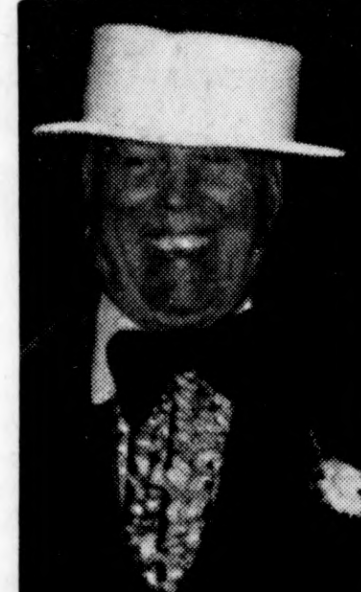
COY "SAM" PURNELL, 59,



MRS. LEE WILLIAMS



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JOHN GIARAS



MERRILL SPERGER

St. Joseph, grandson of King Ben Purnell and Queen Mary Purnell, died Oct. 19.

LEWIS E. QUADE, 68, Douglas, died Oct. 19.

MRS. HELEN M. SLOSSON, 82, operator of Slosson's store for many years, died Oct. 20, at Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

PAUL PRICE, 71, Benton Harbor merchant for many years and active in civic affairs, died Oct. 22.

CHARLES W. HARKINS, 55, of Stevensville, vice president of Siebert-Nettedu Marketing Services, died Oct. 21.

RUSSELL A. GAILHOUSE, 43, Sister Lakes, Benton township assessor for 10 years, died Oct. 25.

MRS. HERBERT LANGE, 77, St. Joseph, former school teacher and mother of Probate Judge Ronald Lange, died Oct. 29.

KENNETH E. TATMAN, 76, Eau Claire, past president of Eau Claire State Bank, died Nov. 9.

MICHAEL J. GAGLIARDO, 61, Benton Harbor, well known Twin City cobbler, died Nov. 10.

JOHN N. SCHREIBER, 78, St. Joseph, former owner of J. N. Schreiber Co., died Nov. 12.

JOHN GRAVIANO, 71, Route 2, Dowagiac, Cass County Circuit court bailiff, died Nov. 19.

HOWARD G. RAMBO, 62, Bridgman, partner in L. J. Rambo Nursery, Bridgman, died Nov. 19.

CHARLES J. ZEMAN, 57, well known Kalamazoo restaurateur, former resident of St. Joseph, died Nov. 14.

ROBERT HELLENGA, EDD, 54, Kalamazoo, formerly of Three Oaks, died Nov. 20.

WALTER ZABEL, 84, former principal of Niles high school for 33 years, died Nov. 18.

REV. CHESTER GULLEY, 55, assistant pastor of Hopewell Baptist church, Benton Harbor, died Nov. 27.

HERMAN SCHUHKNECHT, 77, Stevensville, fruit broker on Benton Harbor Fruit market for 40 years, died Dec. 3.

REV. H.F. WEYLAND, 79, former pastor of the Highland Avenue Church of God, Benton Harbor, died Dec. 4 in Sarasota, Fla.

CLAUDE E. NORRIS, 57, St. Joseph, a project engineer for Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., died Dec. 7.

KENNETH E. HIGBEE, 66, Benton Harbor, retired former manager of the Secretary of State's license bureau, died Dec. 8.

A. L. EDINBOROUGH, 86, longtime Hagar township fruit grower, died Dec. 6.

MRS. KATHRYN L. NEWLAND, 77, prominent Twin Cities civic leader, died Dec. 10.

MERRILL SPERGER, 49, General Manager of Sta-Rite Industries Inc., died Dec. 11.

MERLE E. I EIGHTON, 72, father of Decatur village President Keith Leighton and husband of Decatur township Treasurer Ruth Leighton, died Dec. 10.

HENDRIK J. BUYTEN-DORP, 79, Lawton, former band director at Western Michigan university, died Dec. 10.

WALTER F. NEWHOUSE, 73, Benton Harbor, former president of the old Benton Harbor Saranac company, died Dec. 13.

KARL MARKWALD, 64, St. Joseph, construction worker who played the role of Santa Claus for homes and groups for some years, died Dec. 17.

MRS. VIRGINIA KAY, 58, Benton Harbor, wife of Robert F. Kay, Benton Harbor real estate dealer, died Dec. 24.

MRS. GEORGE FILL-BRANDT, formerly of St. Joseph where she was a leader in civic work, died Dec. 26 in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

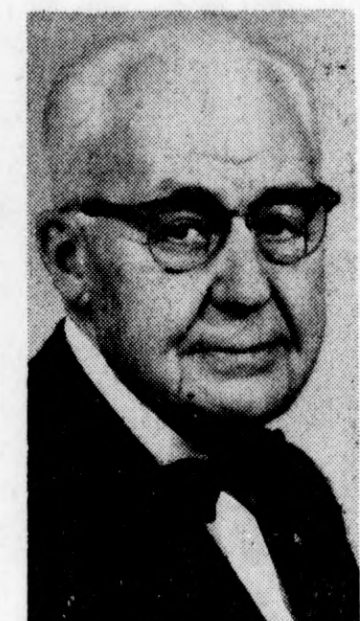
ERNEST MILLHOUSE, 75, retired former director of purchasing for Auto Specialties, died Dec. 26 at Delray Beach, Fla.



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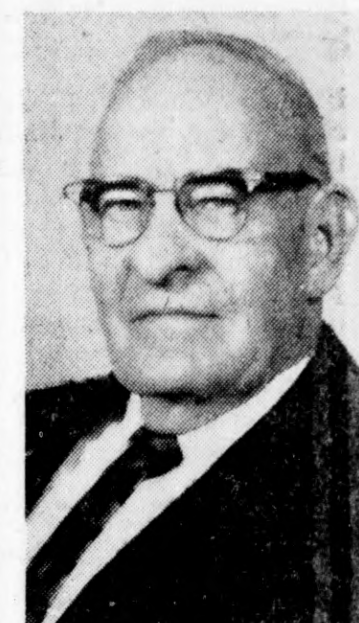
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Benton Harbor, last surviving charter member of the Pilgrim Rest Baptist church, Benton Harbor, died April 7.

CLIFFORD W. SMITH, 81, former Benton Harborite and Western Electric Co. executive died April 13 at Laguna Hills, Calif.

MRS. METTA HAYES, 92, oldest member of Union Memorial AME church, Benton Harbor, died April 18.

ARTHUR L. AREND, 74, St. Joseph, retired Whirlpool foreman, died April 25 in Sanford, Fla.

SIDNEY VOLK, 84, former Benton Harbor businessman and inventor, died April 25 in Elkhart, Ind.

ERVIN ISBRECHT, 43, Route 4, Benton Harbor, member of

Watervliet school board, died April 30.

REV. FR. FRANCIS E. TIMMONS, 59, with the parish of Immaculate Conception Catholic church, Hartford, and former pastor of St. Mark's Catholic church in Niles, died May 1.

VINCENT W. SWITZER, 89, Fairplain, retired industrial executive, died May 3.

MRS. ANNA ANKLI, 2232 Mount Curve, St. Joseph, died May 2.

ROGER MCDONALD, 56, Benton Harbor, former manager of South-Bond Country club and former assistant manager at Berrien Hills Country club, died May 4.

MISS DOROTHY GRIDLEY, 67, Benton Harbor, retired personnel director for City of Benton Harbor, died May 5.

DR. H. R. OBERHILL, 58, Route 4, Dowagiac, a staff member of Lee Memorial hospital, Dowagiac, died May 5.

LESLIE R. SPEESE, 82, Benton Harbor, former director of Berrien County department of social welfare, died May 9.

JOHN SAMS, JR., 46, Benton Harbor, formerly employed by Benton Harbor City Water department, died May 3 at Memorial hospital.

ROBERT BLASTOCK, 51, Benton Harbor, owner and operator of Bywater's Food Mart, died May 14.

LT. LAURENCE FROELICH, 25, of Sodus, an honor graduate of Benton Harbor high and U.S. Air Force academy, died May 16 in the crash of a helicopter in Thailand.

JOHN P. PROVENZANO, 60, Benton Harbor, former broker

on Benton Harbor Fruit Market, died May 17 in Tucson, Ariz.

PETER KRAAK, 76, Route 1, Decatur, former owner of Hartford Metal Protection Company, died May 17.

MISS EVELYN VOGEL, 77, Crystal Lake, Ill., formerly of St. Joseph, retired guidance director at Benton Harbor junior high school, died May 20.

HAROLD D. TEDDY, 51, Lansing, former New Buffalo State Police post lieutenant, died May 29.

MISS LOUISE R. WOOD, 98, Bangor, member of first graduating class of Western Michigan university, died May 29.

MEREDITH RYNEARSON, 51, Stevensville, former acting Benton Harbor police chief, died June 1.

MRS. GERTRUDE ROBINSON, 84, Benton Harbor, widow of the late Berrien County Circuit Judge Thomas N. Robinson, died June 2.

GEORGE N. MILLER JR., 65, St. Joseph, president and founder of George Miller and Sons, Inc., died June 5.

MRS. TERESA LERA, 24, Benton Harbor, died June 11 in Memorial hospital.

HARDING A. DEY, 54, St. Joseph, prominently known mortician in the Twin Cities, died June 11.

MRS. BERNICE KEPP, 51, Coloma, wife of Edward Kepp, official of Local 1918, IAM union, died June 13.

MRS. CAROLYN CENTENIA GIDDINGS, 88, Paw Paw, the oldest of all alumni of Lawton high school, died June 14.

ADOLPH BROSKI, 56, Fremont, Calif., former owner and operator of The Pine Pub, St. Joseph, died June 15.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN FLORIN, St. Joseph, died within four hours of each other, June 17.

MORTON OBSTFELD, 59, Berrien Springs, owner and operator of Berrien Opticians, died June 17.

RAYMOND R. "DICK" HAUCH, 62, St. Joseph, died June 18.

DORR D. DEAN, 57, former part owner and manager of

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VINCENT W. SWITZER



MISS DOROTHY GRIDLEY



LESLIE R. SPEESE



ROBERT BLASTOCK



LT. LAURENCE FROELICH



MISS EVELYN VOGEL



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But we also fought and won the two bloodiest wars in all of history . . .

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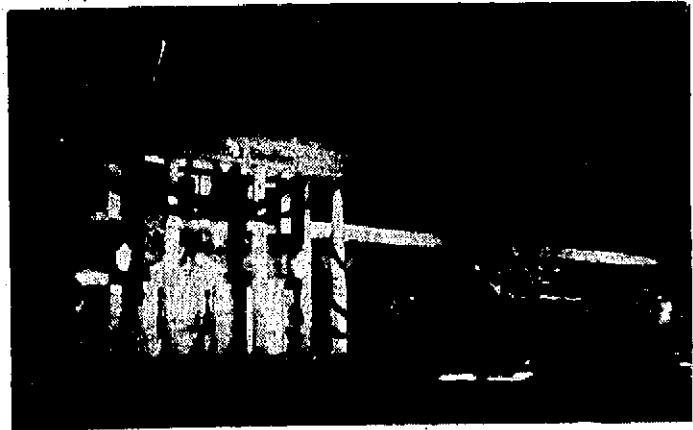
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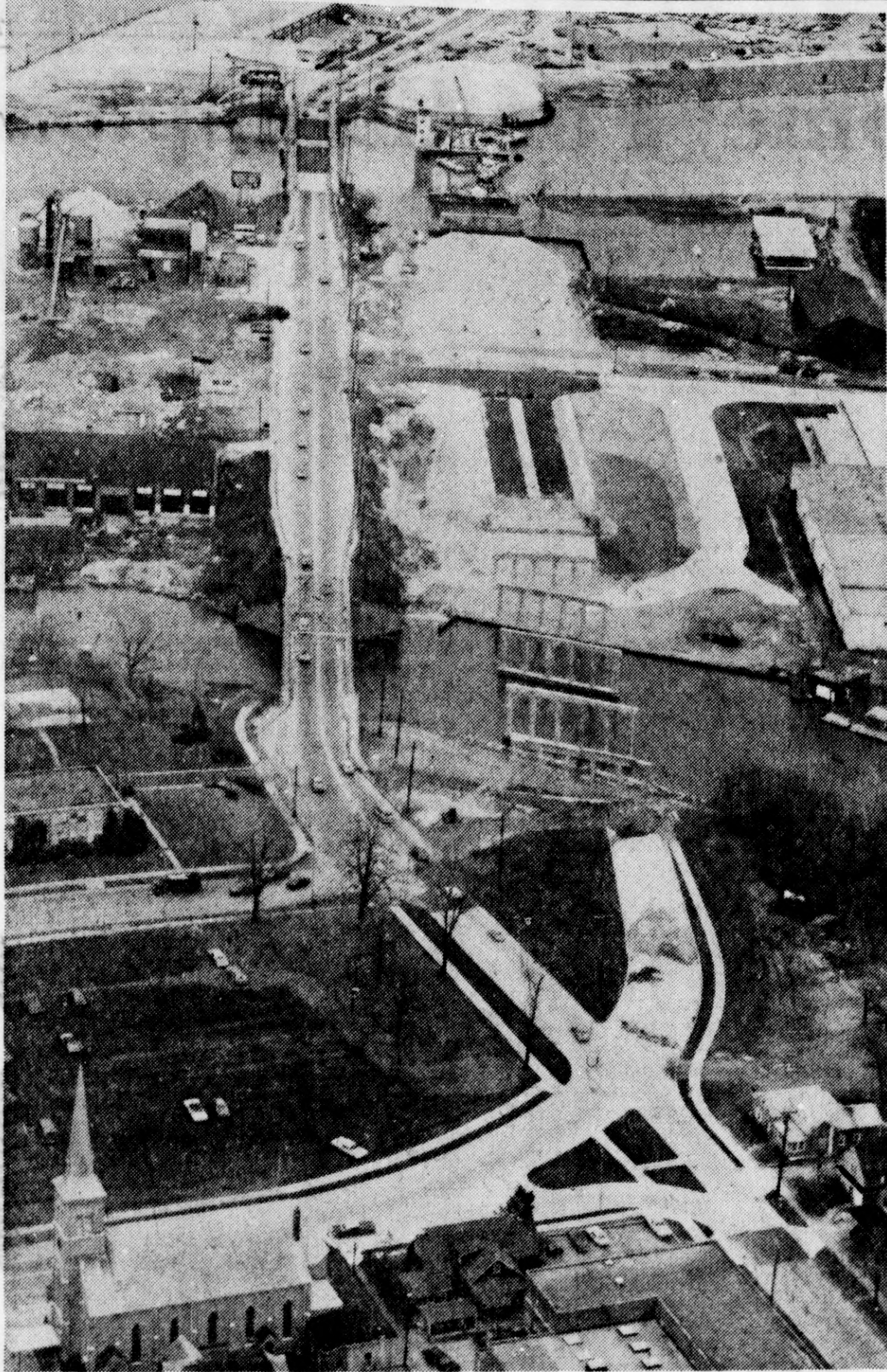
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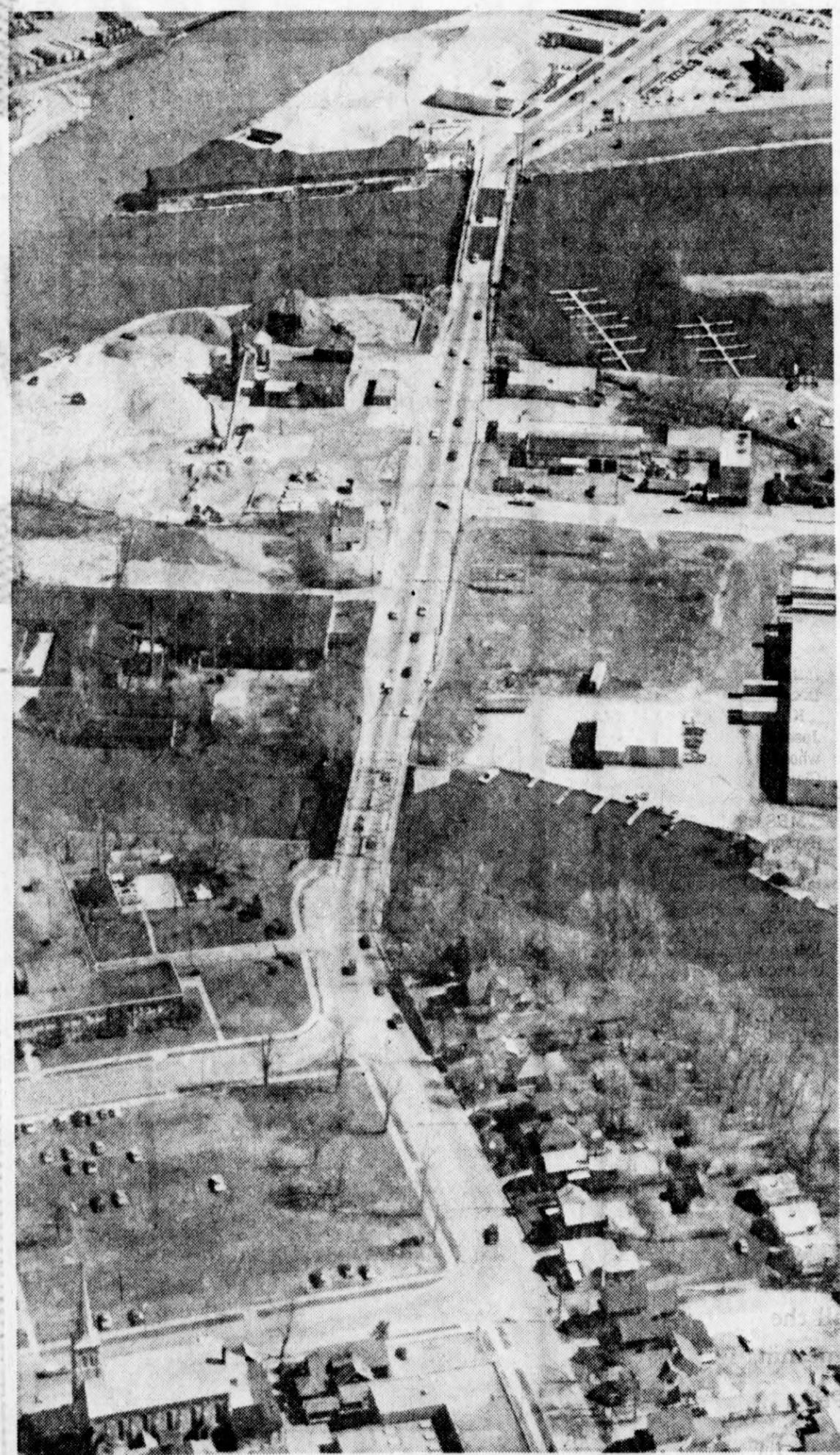
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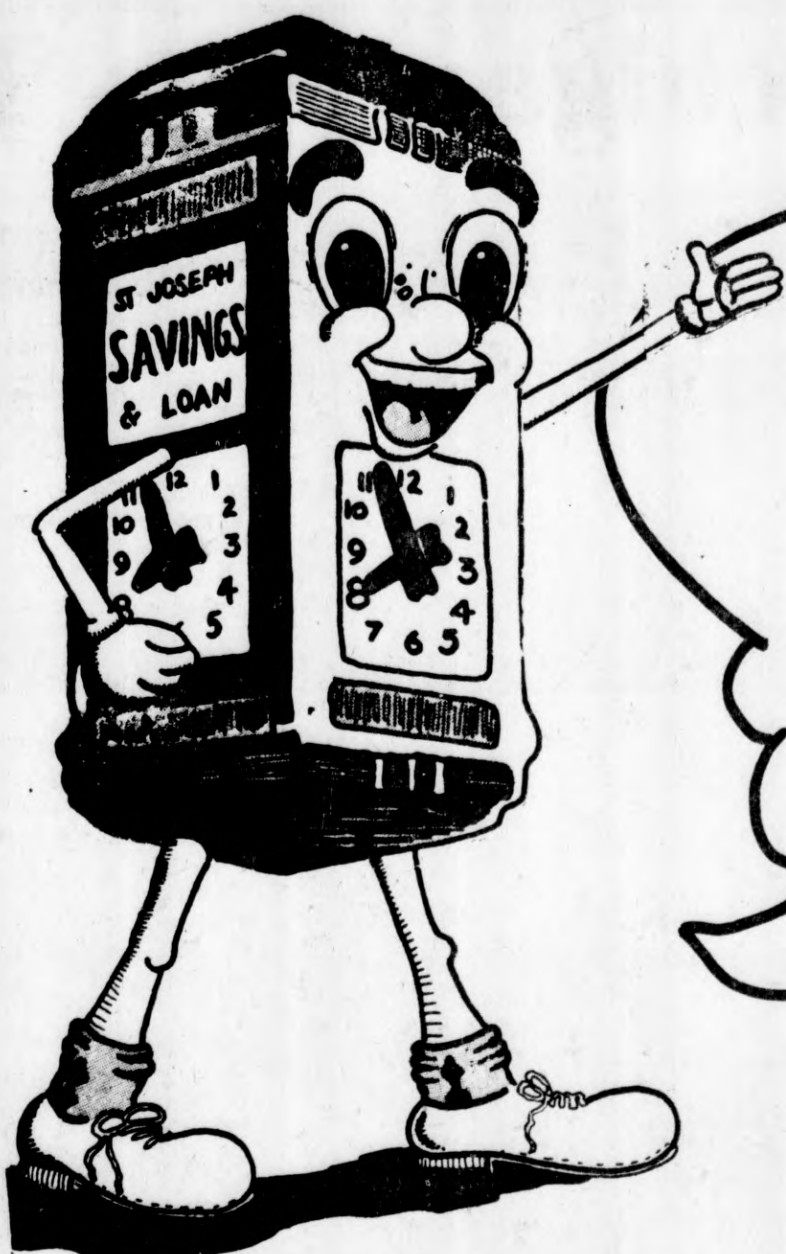




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MRS. LEE WILLIAMS, supervisor of housekeeping department at Berrien General hospital, died July 4.

EMIL MEYER, 72, Benton Harbor, long-time operator of Emil Meyer Auto Service, Benton Harbor, died July 7.

WILLIAM SHUSHMAN, 51, Benton Harbor, died July 6, at Louis Weiss Memorial hospital, Chicago.

ERNEST L. FROELICH, 59, Decatur, well-known conservationist, farmer and Hamilton township trustee, died July 10.

MRS. G. HAROLD (HELEN) BAKER, 67, St. Joseph, former women's editor for this newspaper died July 15.

LOWELL O. SWEM, 67, Buchanan, founder of the former Swem funeral home, died July 19.

MISS BARBARA ROPER, 56, Phoenix, Ariz., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Roper, formerly of Benton Harbor, died July 20 in Phoenix.

MRS. E. (IDA) KILLIAN, 83, widow of a former superintendent of Allegan public school system, died July 27 in South Haven.

ROBERT E. BETSON, 63, St. Joseph, manager of Whirlpool sales accounting division, was dead on arrival July 29 at Little Traverse hospital, Petoskey.

MARVIN SPAYDE, 70, Gables registered pharmacist, died Aug. 3 at his home.

ELMER ORMISTON, 84, former Benton Harbor city commissioner, educator and insurance agent, died July 26 in Bradenton, Fla.

ROBERT W. DOERR, 63, Stevensville, former owner and operator of the R.W. Doerr and Associates Commercial Photography company, died Aug. 6.

MRS. LARRY FEGEL, 26, of Grand Rapids, formerly of St. Joseph, died Aug. 5 in Grand Rapids.

LAWRENCE WESTERBY, 49, Benton Harbor, psychologist for Berrien County Intermediate school district, died Aug. 8.

HARRY G. KREIDER, 78, retired former executive director of the Benton Harbor YMCA, died Aug. 6 in Mt. Dora, Fla.

WILLIAM POST, 63, Grand Rapids, formerly of Fennville and president of North Star Bus Lines, died Aug. 10.

AUGUSTA PARKER, 46, 686 Buss Benton Harbor, died Aug. 16.

VICTOR E. CORRELL, 65, former Bloomingdale township treasurer for 17 years, died Aug. 20.

MRS. EMMA CLARK, 86, of 402 Walnut street, Benton Harbor, died Aug. 19 in Berrien General hospital.

CAPT. RICHARD DEFOELDER, 83, of 564 Columbus avenue, Benton Harbor, retired Great Lakes captain, died Aug. 28.

WILLIAM WESNER, 61, St. Joseph auto dealer, died Aug. 21.

AMOS J. FIRME, 76, of Stevensville, former owner of Wall Clean Company, Benton Harbor, died Aug. 28.

WALLACE LOMOE, 78, South Haven, who retired as executive editor and vice-president of the Milwaukee Journal in 1962, died Sept. 7.

ARTHUR SCHUTZE, 58, Baroda, former council member and fire chief died Sept. 11.

REV. LLOYD ZOSCHKE, 81, St. Joseph, retired pastor of Eau Claire Community United Church of Christ, died Sept. 12.

MRS. NELLIE HALBY, 83, Stevensville, owner and operator of Halby's Jam and Jelly Kitchen, Stevensville, died Sept. 20.

NORMAN W. HARRIS, 52, Berrien Springs schools physical education teacher, died Sept. 24.

MRS. MARGARET B. UP-TON, 80, St. Joseph, died of in-

juries received in a one-car accident Sept. 24.

WILLIAM DE CROCKER, 82, former mayor and volunteer fireman of Bloomingdale, died Oct. 1.

DOUGLAS FEATHER, 24, Anaheim, Calif., son of Oronoko Township Supervisor and Mrs. Robert Feather, Berrien Springs, died Sept. 24 in Anaheim.

MARTIN KASISCHKE, 82, St. Joseph, former St. Joseph city commissioner, died Oct. 3.

JOHN GIARAS, 85, founder of the first truck line in the Twin Cities, died Oct. 4.

ALBERT A. ROMEO SR., 76, owner of the Bluebird tavern and champion fund raiser for Berrien county March of Dimes, died Oct. 5.

MISS MARY CLEMENS, 87, St. Joseph, died Oct. 7.

LLOYD J. MARTIN, 67, a longtime leader in Lawton, died Oct. 11.

COY "SAM" PURNELL, 59,

St. Joseph, grandson of King Ben Purnell and Queen Mary Purnell, died Oct. 19.

LEWIS E. QUADE, 68, Douglas, died Oct. 19.

MRS. HELEN M. SLOSSON, 82, operator of Slosson's store for many years, died Oct. 20, at Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

PAUL PRICE, 71, Benton Harbor merchant for many years and active in civic affairs, died Oct. 22.

CHARLES W. HARKINS, 55, of Stevensville, vice president of Siebert-Neddu Marketing Services, died Oct. 21.

RUSSELL A. GAILHOUSE, 43, Sister Lakes, Benton township assessor for 10 years, died Oct. 25.

MRS. HERBERT LANGE, 77, St. Joseph, former school teacher and mother of Probate Judge Ronald Lange, died Oct. 29.

KENNETH E. TATMAN, 76, Eau Claire, past president of Eau Claire State Bank, died Nov. 9.

MICHAEL J. GAGLIARDO, 61, Benton Harbor, well known Twin City cobbler, died Nov. 10.

JOHN N. SCHREIBER, 78, St. Joseph, former owner of J. N. Schreiber Co., died Nov. 12.

JOHN GRAVIANO, 71, Route 2, Dowagiac, Cass County Circuit court bailiff, died Nov. 19.

HOWARD G. RAMBO, 62, Bridgman, partner in L. J. Rambo Nursery, Bridgman, died Nov. 19.

CHARLES J. ZEMAN, 57, well known Kalamazoo restaurateur, former resident of St. Joseph, died Nov. 14.

ROBERT HELLENGA, EDD, 54, Kalamazoo, formerly of Three Oaks, died Nov. 20.

WALTER ZABEL, 84, former principal of Niles high school for 33 years, died Nov. 18.

REV. CHESTER GULLEY, 55, assistant pastor of Hopewell Baptist church, Benton Harbor, died Nov. 27.

HERMAN SCHUNKNECHT, 77, Stevensville, fruit broker on Benton Harbor Fruit market for 40 years, died Dec. 3.

REV. H.F. WEYLAND, 79, former pastor of the Highland Avenue Church of God, Benton Harbor, died Dec. 4 in Sarasota, Fla.

CLAUDE E. NORRIS, 57, St. Joseph, a project engineer for Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., died Dec. 7.

KENNETH E. HIGBEE, 66, Benton Harbor, retired former manager of the Secretary of State's license bureau, died Dec. 8.

A. L. EDINBOROUGH, 86, longtime Itasca township fruit grower, died Dec. 6.

MRS. KATHRYN L. NEWLAND, 77, prominent Twin Cities civic leader, died Dec. 10.

MERRILL SPERGER, 49, General Manager of Sta-Rite Industries Inc., died Dec. 11.

MERLE E. LEIGHTON, 72, father of Decatur village President Keith Leighton and husband of Decatur township Treasurer Ruth Leighton, died Dec. 10.

HENDRIK J. BUYTENDORP, 79, Lawton, former band director at Western Michigan university, died Dec. 10.

WALTER F. NEWHOUSE, 73, Benton Harbor, former president of the old Benton Harbor Saranac company, died Dec. 13.

KARL MARKWALD, 64, St. Joseph, construction worker who played the role of Santa Claus for homes and groups for some years, died Dec. 17.

MRS. VIRGINIA KAY, 58, Benton Harbor, wife of Robert F. Kay, Benton Harbor real estate dealer, died Dec. 24.

MRS. GEORGE FILLBRANDT, formerly of St. Joseph where she was a leader in civic work, died Dec. 26 in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

ERNEST MILLHOUSE, 75, retired former director of purchasing for Auto Specialties, died Dec. 26 at Delray Beach, Fla.



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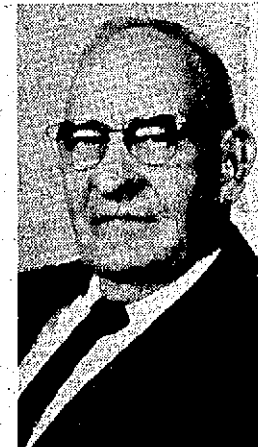
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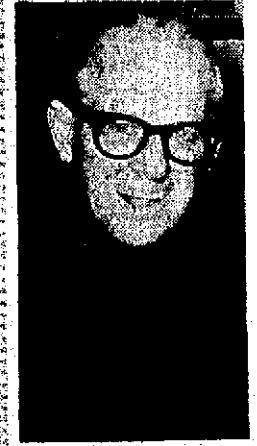
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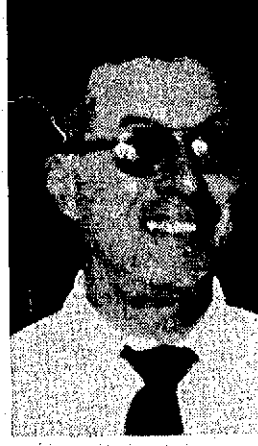
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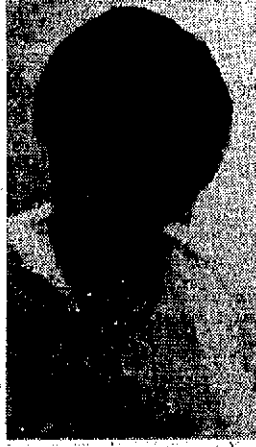
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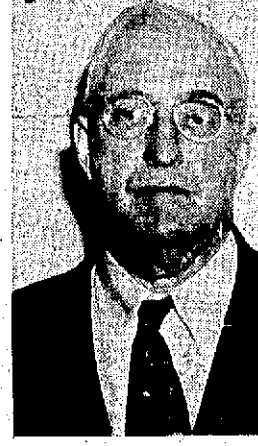
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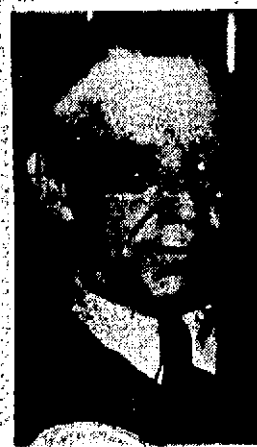
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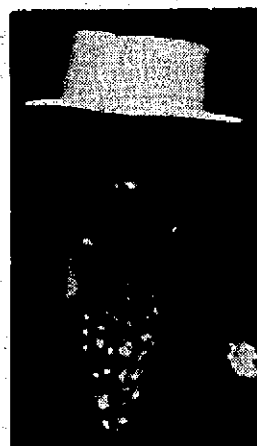
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Southwestern Michigan New 'Home' For Champion

Ali Buys 80-Acre Estate In Berrien

A national celebrity became a southwestern Michigan property owner during 1975.

World heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali is scheduled to begin occupying the 80-acre estate he bought north of Berrien Springs sometime early in 1976.

Ali made arrangements to buy the estate along the St. Joseph river during an appearance in Benton Harbor for exhibition bouts with Mayor Charles Joseph and several other opponents.

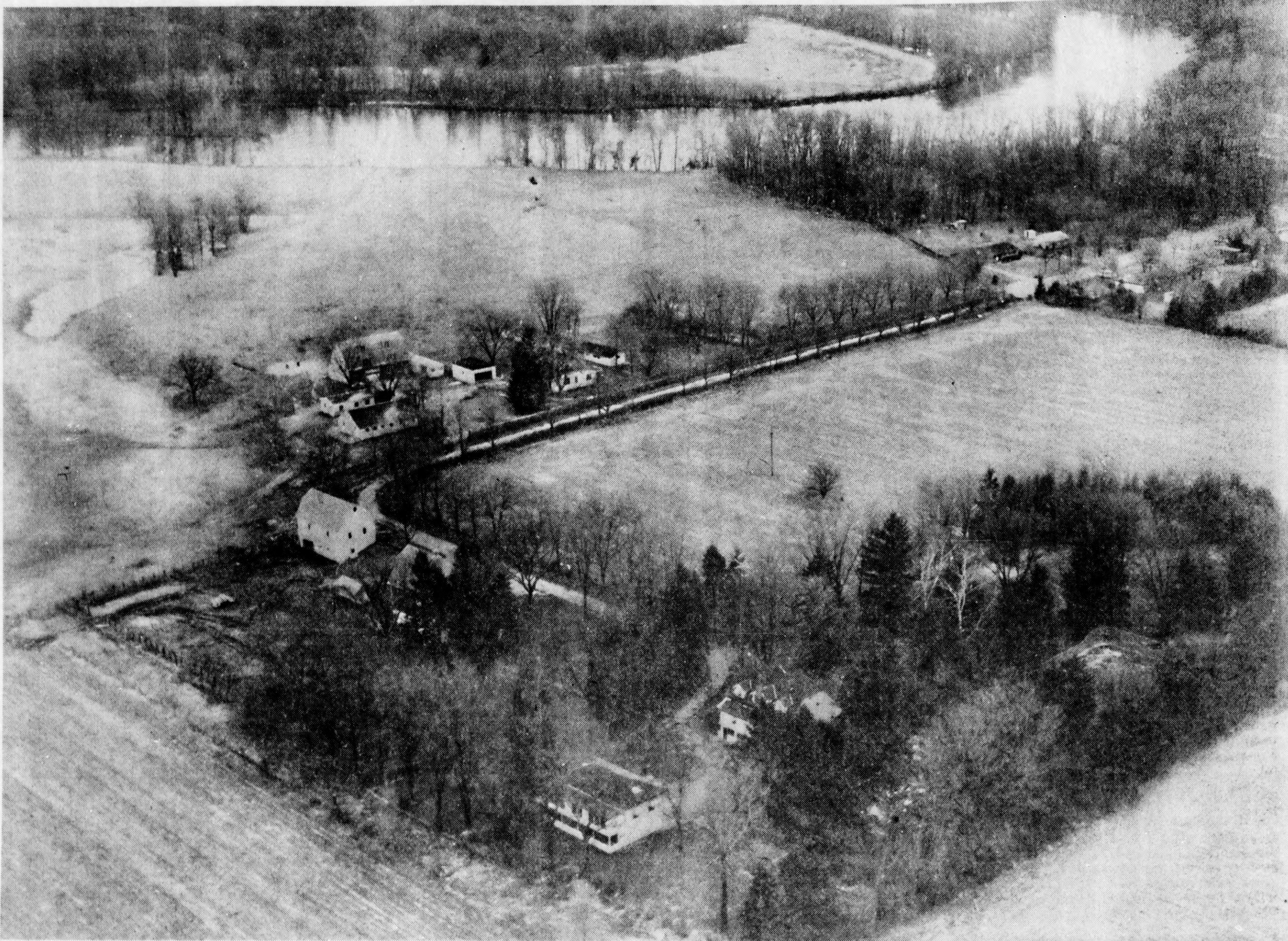
In August, former owner Myron Hecht reported Ali had signed a purchase agreement for \$400,000. Ali has said he intends to use the estate for a training camp and will prepare there for a title defense against George Foreman.

Ali's estate was put together prior to World War II by Chicago mobster Louis "Little New York" Campagna, an associate of Al Capone, for an estimated \$1 million.

In July the estate, then owned by Hecht, had been appraised at \$630,000, according to a report done by Ralph C. Michaels appraisal firm of South Bend.

Remodeling is underway at the estate. It presently includes an Olympic-size swimming pool, a horse track, a tennis court, an eight-bedroom main house and a three-bedroom guest house.

Ali has promised to put Benton Harbor on the world map. "I never heard much of Benton Harbor myself," Ali said recently in a conference call from his Chicago office. "But it will continually be in the news in the next couple of years. I will be coming in and out. I'll be inviting people in that area out to the farm for swimming, tennis horse riding, and boating."



ALI'S BERRIEN SPRINGS ESTATE: Secluded estate established on St. Joseph river just north of Berrien Springs by a Capone-era gangster is now being remodeled by World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Muhammad Ali. Ali purchased it for reported \$400,000 this past summer. Main eight bedroom house and a three-bedroom

guest house are in center foreground at end of long drive that winds to entrance at upper right. Other buildings are farm and caretaker buildings. Estate has about 80 acres embraced much of the way around by a big loop in the river. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

Faces Assault Charges

DETROIT (AP) — A Detroit city attorney again faces a trial on felonious assault charges following a Wayne County Circuit Court ruling this week. Judge Jim Canham ruled that Recorder's Court Judge John Kadela was wrong to dismiss the charges against Geoffrey Taft after a preliminary examination last August. Taft allegedly pulled a gun on a defendant in the 10th Precinct drug trial. He is assigned to the Internal Affairs Section of the police department. The ruling means Taft must stand trial on the felonious assault charges, which carry a possible penalty of up to four years in prison.



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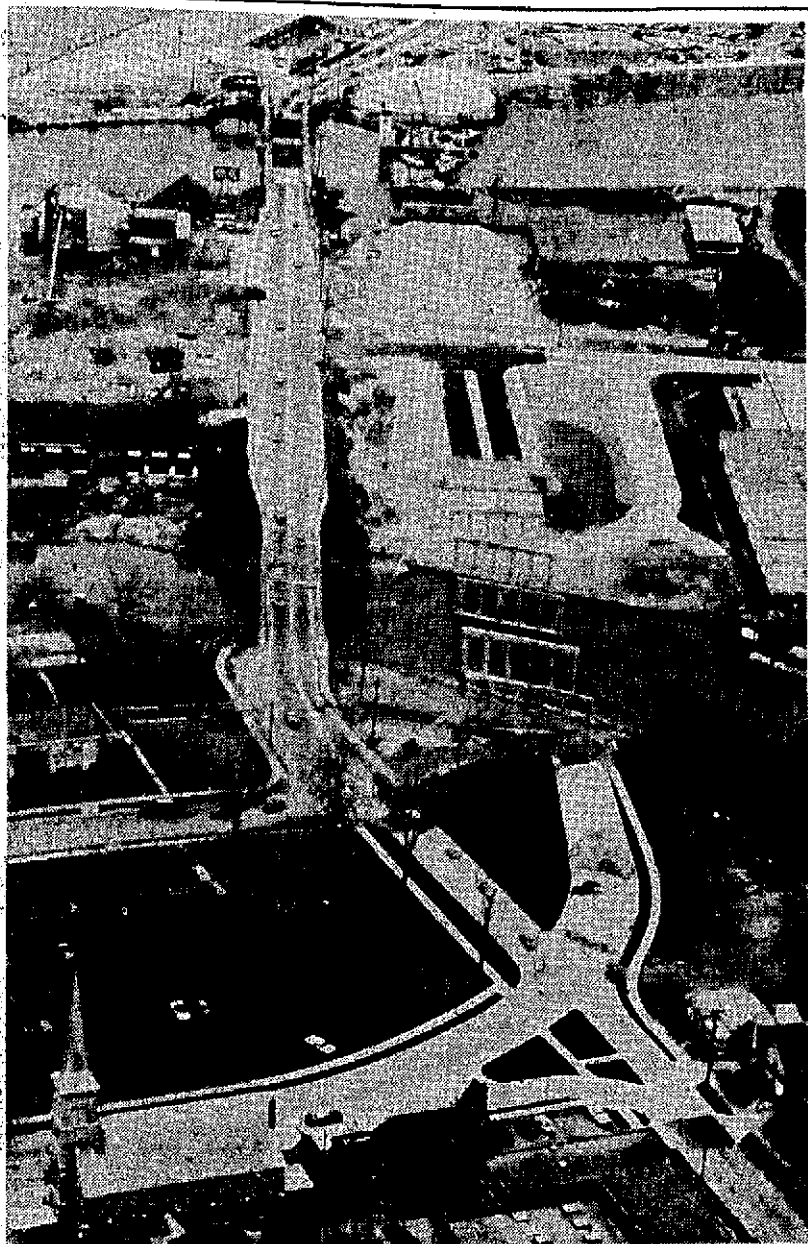
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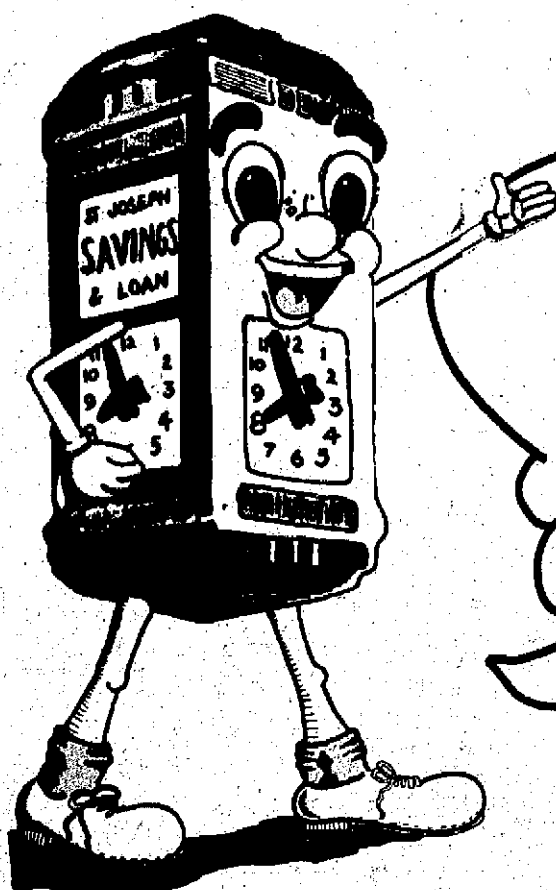
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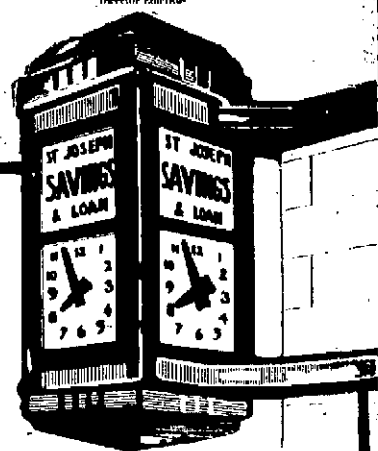
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Berrien Officials Move To Plug County's Job Drain

Tax Breaks Help Industry Rebuild, Expand Plants

Berrien county during the past two years has lost nearly one of every four manufacturing jobs, according to Charles Schrenk, director of economic development for the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce.

The county, however, has not thrown up its hands. During 1975 it has tried to stop the loss and has become a state leader in taking advantage of a law that provides property tax breaks for industrial firms that rebuild or renovate plants, he pointed out.

Schrenk said state government statistics put the job loss at 24.85 per cent, between September, 1973, and September of this year.

Schrenk said reasons are varied and include temporary layoffs because of the recession. Schrenk also cited plant closings, such as the Kawneer Co., Niles, for economic reasons, and Benton Harbor Malleable Industries, Benton Harbor, because of bankruptcy.

Sixteen firms have sought the tax breaks under the Michigan Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act of 1974, Schrenk said.

The ultimate goal is to keep plants located in the state, encourage others to come to Michigan and create new jobs.

According to Schrenk, the applying firms hope to use the law to help build plants and install equipment totaling an estimated \$8,449,812 and eventually expand their total employment of 3,148 by another 435.

The law would provide tax breaks totaling about \$99,484 annually.

Of the firms applying, eight have received approval from both local units of government involved and the state. Six others have received local approval and are awaiting the state okay. Two others — Weldun Tool & Engineering Co., Bridgman, and Whirlpool Corp., St. Joseph — are awaiting decisions at both the local and

state levels.

The tax break law is essentially in two parts. One part involves rehabilitation of an existing plant. Here, the tax rate on the old plant would remain fixed for 12 years, even though a new plant were erected. The management must first prove obsolescence.

The second part involves expansion of a plant. Here, the state equalized valuation is cut in half for 12 years, but only on the expansion portion of the plant.

Industrial property eligible for the special tax treatment includes real property, such as land improvements, buildings and structures; personal property, such as machinery, equipment, furniture and fixtures, according to Schrenk. Reported excluded are land and inventories.



CHARLES SCHRENK
Industrial Development
Director

How much good will come from the law?

Schrenk answered with cautious optimism, saying the first job is to stop the exodus of factories from Michigan to other states.

"It's an excellent demonstration that municipalities can cooperate in working with industry," Schrenk said.

He listed some basic reasons for industry leaving Michigan:

"The wage scale is among the highest in the nation, about \$1.50 an hour higher than Texas."

Schrenk earlier told the Benton township board of trustees that between 1962 and 1973, Texas through incentives gained 160,000 manufacturing jobs. He said Michigan over the same period lost some 32,000 manufacturing jobs.

As to unemployment compensation, Schrenk said Michigan has the highest benefits — 25 per cent over the second ranked state, New York.

Michigan also was a leader in workers' compensation, Schrenk reminded. He said:

"I sense a change in the legislature. Even the most liberal legislators are taking a new look at the loss of industry and how to stop it."

Schrenk heads a five-member Chamber of Commerce industrial development department that is funded by the Berrien county government. His job has been to compile statistics and help present applications of industrial firms to various local government units. Schrenk, a native of Pennsylvania, held a similar post for five years at the Mt. Pleasant Chamber of Commerce, before coming here 2½ years ago.

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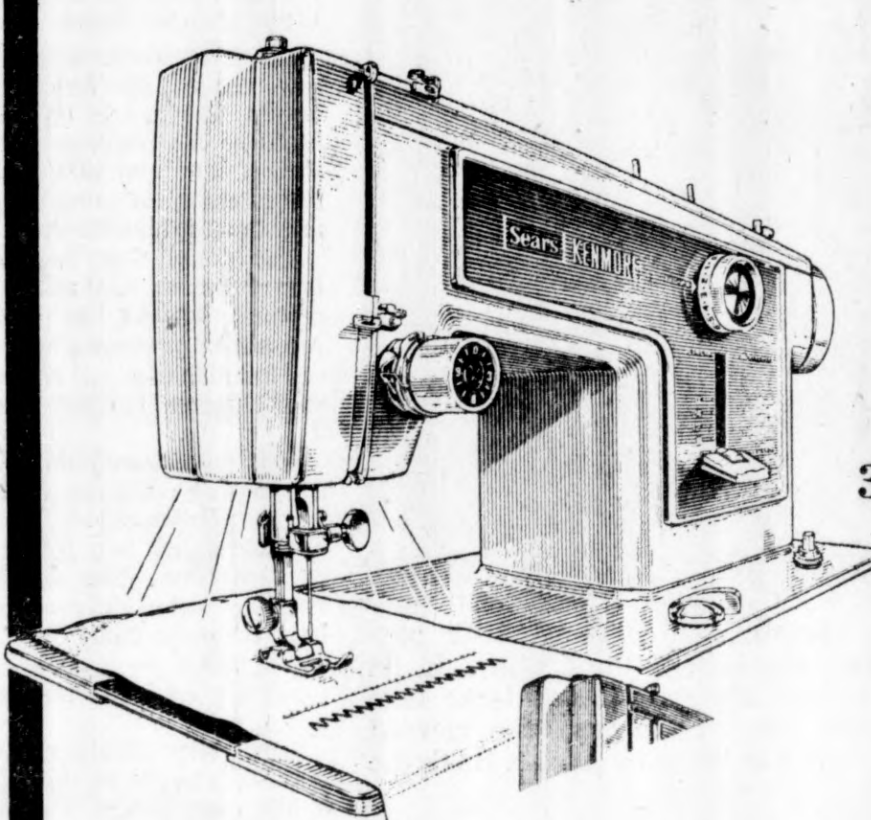
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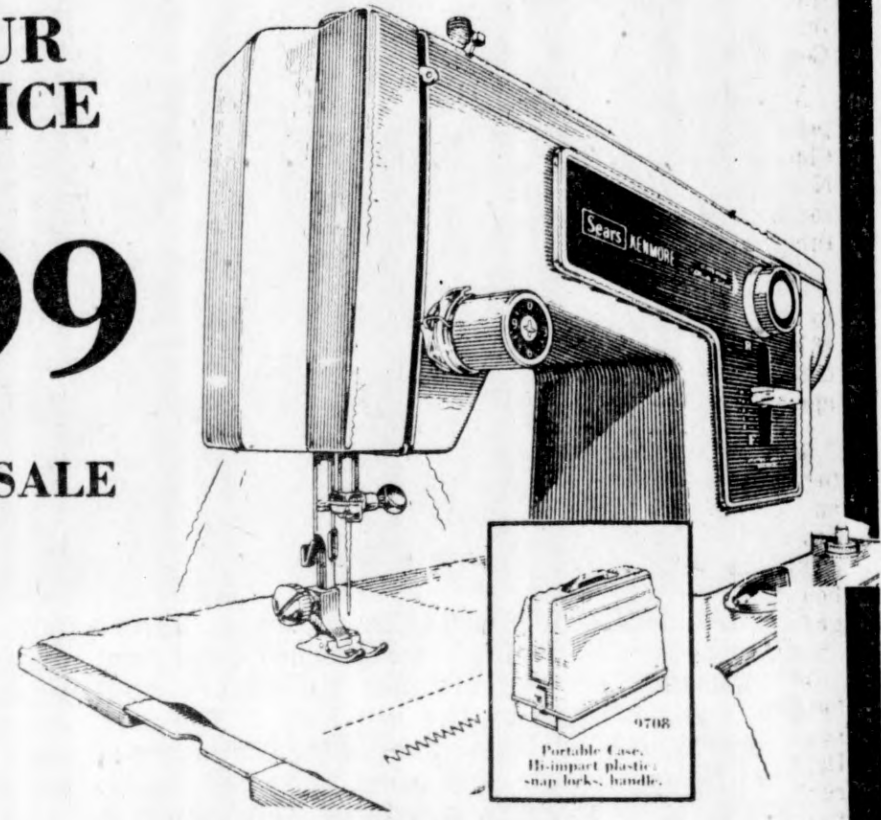
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For that \$400-a-week wage earner, the payments will run through Oct. 1 instead of Sept. 5.

The higher ceiling on Social Security deductions is to help pay increased benefits for retired persons and adult welfare recipients, whose benefits are now linked to price increases.

And the inflation protection for recipients means higher taxes for people still working. Officials currently expect that the tax rate for Social Security will increase to 6.05 per cent in 1977, or 60 cents a week more for the \$300-a-week worker.

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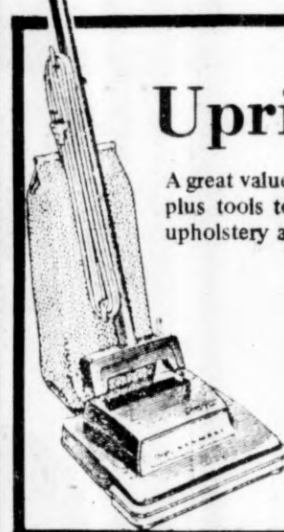
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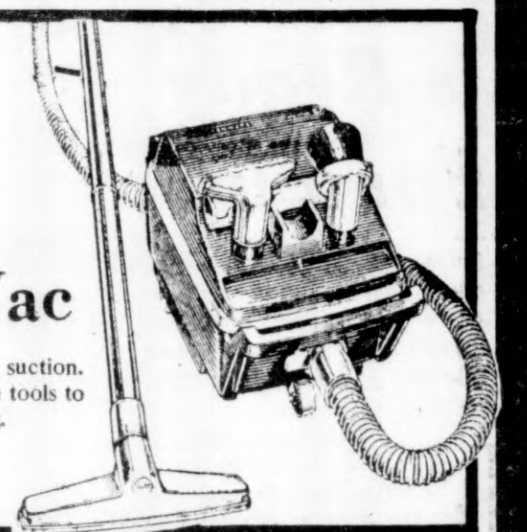
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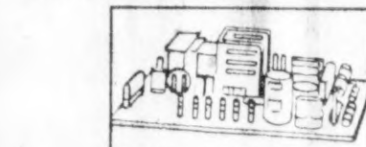
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Southwestern Michigan New 'Home' For Champion

Ali Buys 80-Acre Estate In Berrien

A national celebrity became a southwestern Michigan property owner during 1975.

World heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali is scheduled to begin occupying the 80-acre estate he bought north of Berrien Springs sometime early in 1976.

Ali made arrangements to buy the estate along the St. Joseph river during an appearance in Benton Harbor for exhibition bouts with Mayor Charles Joseph and several other opponents.

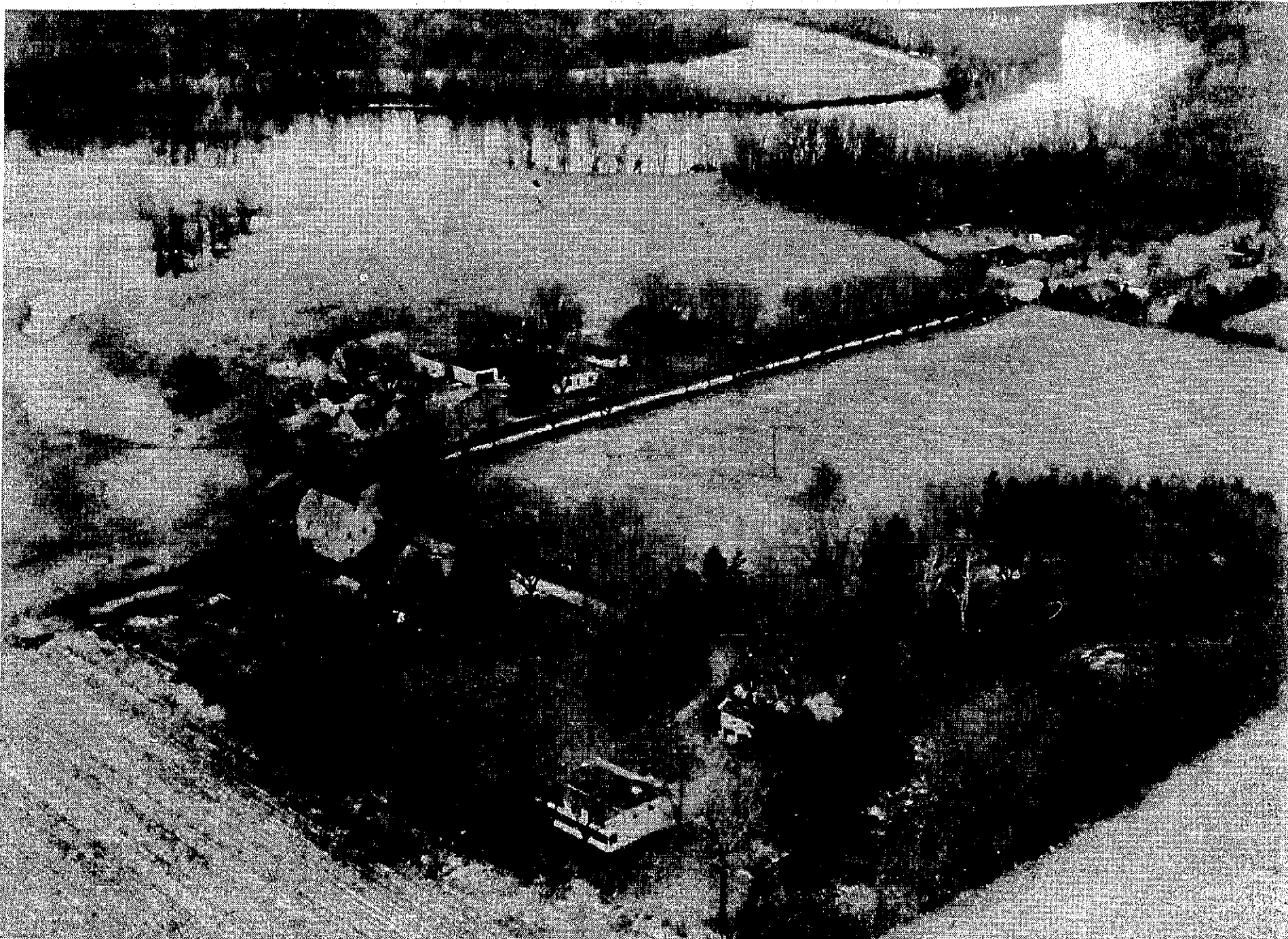
In August, former owner Myron Hecht reported Ali had signed a purchase agreement for \$400,000. Ali has said he intends to use the estate for a training camp and will prepare there for a title defense against George Foreman.

Ali's estate was put together prior to World War II by Chicago mobster Louis "Little New York" Campagna, an associate of Al Capone, for an estimated \$1 million.

In July the estate, then owned by Hecht, had been appraised at \$630,000, according to a report done by Ralph C. Michaels appraisal firm of South Bend.

Remodeling is underway at the estate. It presently includes an Olympic-size swimming pool, a horse track, a tennis court, an eight-bedroom main house and a three-bedroom guest house.

Ali has promised to put Benton Harbor on the world map. "I never heard much of Benton Harbor myself," Ali said recently in a conference call from his Chicago office. "But it will continually be in the news in the next couple of years. I will be coming in and out. I'll be inviting people in that area out to the farm for swimming, tennis, horse riding, and boating."



ALI'S BERRIEN SPRINGS ESTATE: Secluded estate established on St. Joseph river just north of Berrien Springs by a Capone-era gangster is now being remodeled by World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Muhammad Ali. Ali purchased it for reported \$400,000 this past summer. Main eight bedroom house and a three-bedroom

guest house are in center foreground at end of long drive that winds to entrance at upper right. Other buildings are farm and caretaker buildings. Estate has about 80 acres embraced much of the way around by a big loop in the river. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

Faces Assault Charges

DETROIT (AP) — A Detroit city attorney again faces a trial on felonious assault charges following a Wayne County Circuit Court ruling this week. Judge Jim Canham ruled that Recorder's Court Judge John Kadela was wrong to dismiss the charges against Geoffrey Taft after a preliminary examination last August. Taft allegedly pulled a gun on a defendant in the 10th Precinct drug trial. He is assigned to the Internal Affairs Section of the police department. The ruling means Taft must stand trial on the felonious assault charges, which carry a possible penalty of up to four years in prison.



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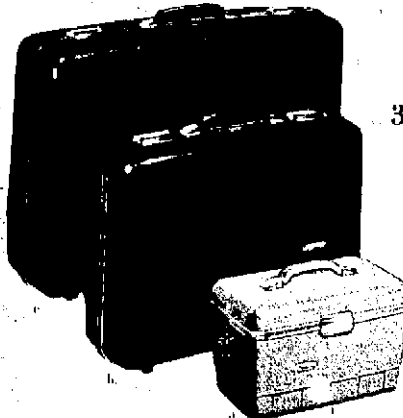
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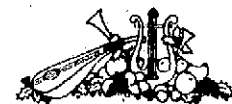


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Gulf Report Names Hugh Scott

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republican Leader Hugh Scott allegedly made repeated requests for Gulf Oil money even while the Watergate scandals were boiling in 1973, according to a Gulf investigative panel.

The panel quoted statements attributed to Gulf's political bagman, Claude C. Wild Jr., who reportedly claimed to have

made secret cash payments to Scott of \$10,000 a year for about 13 years.

The special review committee, set up by Gulf to investigate its own illegal political donations in the United States, South Korea and elsewhere said in a report released Tuesday that in 13 years Gulf disbursed some \$12.3 million at home and abroad for political donations

and related matters, mostly illegal.

These included \$4 million in illegal political gifts to the ruling party in South Korea, \$4 million disbursed by Wild to a galaxy of U.S. political figures, \$627,000 to Italian political parties and a \$108,000 helicopter to the late Bolivian dictator Rene Barrientos, who was later killed when the aircraft crashed.

The panel also said it found some \$2 million in previously undisclosed illegal political payments in Canada, Italy and Sweden.

Committee officials said "it has not been possible — and perhaps never will be — to trace all the funds" paid to U.S. politicians in violation of the law.

The committee's report was critical of top Gulf management

and said Gulf chairman Bob R. Dorsey "should have known that Wild was involved in making political contributions from unknown sources. If Dorsey did not know of the nature and extent of Wild's unlawful activities, he perhaps chose to shut his eyes to what was going on."

But the report said the panel's evidence "falls short of demonstrating that Dorsey was informed of Wild's unlawful political activities."

Outlining the Scott incident, the panel said that "even after the initial Watergate publicity erupted in 1973 the senator again requested funds from Wild. Wild apparently told the senator that he could not provide the money any longer, but the senator seemed unable to understand why."

"The matter was left that they would talk again around Christmas of that year. The senator renewed his request at that time, and Wild repeated that there were no longer any funds and that his pipeline had been cut off."

The report was filed with federal court and the Securities and Exchange Commission. The panel, headed by New York lawyer John Jay McCloy, has been investigating Gulf's activities since last March.

The report said the Scott story was relayed by Pittsburgh lawyer Thomas D. Wright, based on his interviews with Wild in 1973 and 1974, when Wright was investigating Wild's activities for Gulf's directors.

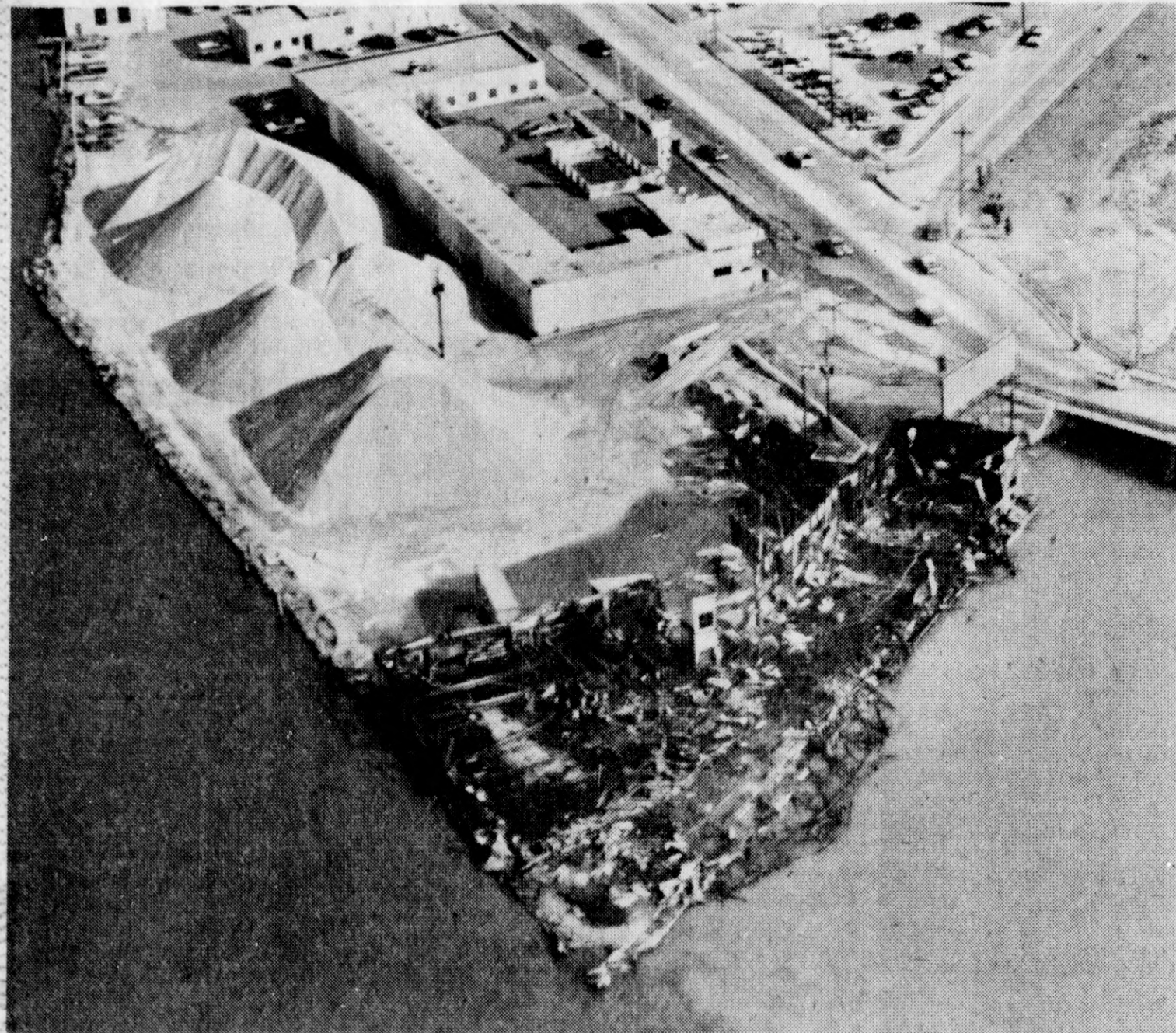
Wild himself won't now confirm or deny the Scott story. He recently invoked the Fifth Amendment protection against self-incrimination and refused an SEC request to testify about it.

Scott was unavailable for comment. He has not denied receiving Gulf payments, but he has said he got only political donations and denies that he knew any such donations came from corporate funds. Wright quoted Wild as saying the money was for Scott's personal use.

Shortly after initial accounts of the Gulf payments surfaced in SEC court filings, Scott an-



FIRST LAKE CROSSING: Balloonists Paul Woessner and Stephen Neulander, of the Chicago area, made history Jan. 17 by completing first known crossing of Lake Michigan in a hot air balloon. They landed in a snowy field south of Glenn in Allegan county. The balloon is seen letting down at the end of the 3 hour and 17-minute journey across the lake. Blue Star highway is in the foreground with I-196 in the background. (Aerial photo by Adolph Hann)



CENTRAL DOCK DESTROYED: A Benton Harbor landmark, the Central Dock (foreground), focal point for thousands of lake steamer passengers until 1940's, was destroyed by fire last Feb. 2. The dock was located off West Main street at the confluence of the old Benton Harbor Ship canal (left) and the St. Joseph river. Warehouse structures were added in

1917. The docks, however, had been used for passenger service since the turn of the century. In its heyday the docks could accommodate two large lake steamers at a time. The debris has been cleared since this aerial photo was taken by Adolph Hann the day after the fire.

nounced he would not seek reelection.

First accounts of the alleged Scott payments were hazy on when they ended. The panel's report has Wright quoting Wild as saying they began in 1960 and continued until the spring of

1973, just before the Watergate disclosures which led to Wild pleading guilty to making illegal political donations to former President Richard M. Nixon, Rep. Wilbur D. Mills, D-Ark., and Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash.

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PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — She wasn't even around in the '50's, but Pontiac Stadium is getting gussied up for Elvis Presley's New Year's Eve concert just the same.

Jerry Barron, stadium promotions director, says more than 90,000 persons are expected to jam the stadium — which was just completed this past autumn — to see the rock idol who recently turned 40.

"Ticket sales are brisk," Barron said. "There are very few seats left."

Tickets for the concert sold for \$15, \$11.50, \$8 and \$6.

Stadium workers have been working all week, Barron said, transforming the football field into a sea of folding chairs surrounding a square stage at the 50-yard line.

Barron said the Stadium Authority would provide a beefed-up security force to keep Presley safe from ardent admirers.

"Sometimes the ladies get excited," Barron said. "We'll have added security, especially since he has to come to the center of the field to get on stage."

Presley's show is scheduled to run from 8:30 p.m. until midnight, Barron said.


Presley will fly to Pontiac in his own plane from Memphis with his own staging, lighting and technical crew. He will return to Tennessee with 75 per cent of the gate from the one-night stand. The remaining 25 per cent goes into stadium coffers.


Middle East's Riches Rising


BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The oil rich Middle East reasserted its economic power in 1975, raising prices of its black treasure despite new outcries in the West.


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Berrien county during the past two years has lost nearly one of every four manufacturing jobs, according to Charles Schrenk, director of economic development for the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce.

The county, however, has not thrown up its hands. During 1975 it has tried to stop the loss and has become a state leader in taking advantage of a law that provides property tax breaks for industrial firms that rebuild or renovate plants, he pointed out.

Schrenk said state government statistics put the job loss at 24.85 per cent, between September, 1973, and September of this year.

Schrenk said reasons are varied and include temporary layoffs because of the recession. Schrenk also cited plant closings, such as the Kawneer Co., Niles, for economic reasons, and Benton Harbor Malleable Industries, Benton Harbor, because of bankruptcy.

Sixteen firms have sought the tax breaks under the Michigan Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act of 1974, Schrenk said.

The ultimate goal is to keep plants located in the state, encourage others to come to Michigan and create new jobs.

According to Schrenk, the applying firms hope to use the law to help build plants and install equipment totaling an estimated \$8,448,812 and eventually expand their total employment of 3,148 by another 435.

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The second part involves expansion of a plant. Here, the state equalized valuation is cut in half for 12 years, but only on the expansion portion of the plant.

Industrial property eligible for the special tax treatment includes real property, such as land improvements, buildings and structures; personal property, such as machinery, equipment, furniture and fixtures, according to Schrenk. Reported excluded are land and inventories.



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Schrenk answered with cautious optimism, saying the first job is to stop the exodus of factories from Michigan to other states.

"It's an excellent demonstration that municipalities can cooperate in working with industry," Schrenk said.

He listed some basic reasons for industry leaving Michigan: "The wage scale is among the highest in the nation, about \$1.50 an hour higher than Texas."

Schrenk earlier told the Benton township board of trustees that between 1962 and 1973, Texas, through incentives gained 160,000 manufacturing jobs. He said Michigan over the same period lost some 32,000 manufacturing jobs.

As to unemployment compensation, Schrenk said Michigan has the highest benefits — 25 per cent over the second ranked state, New York.

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"I sense a change in the legislature. Even the most liberal legislators are taking a new look at the loss of industry and how to stop it."

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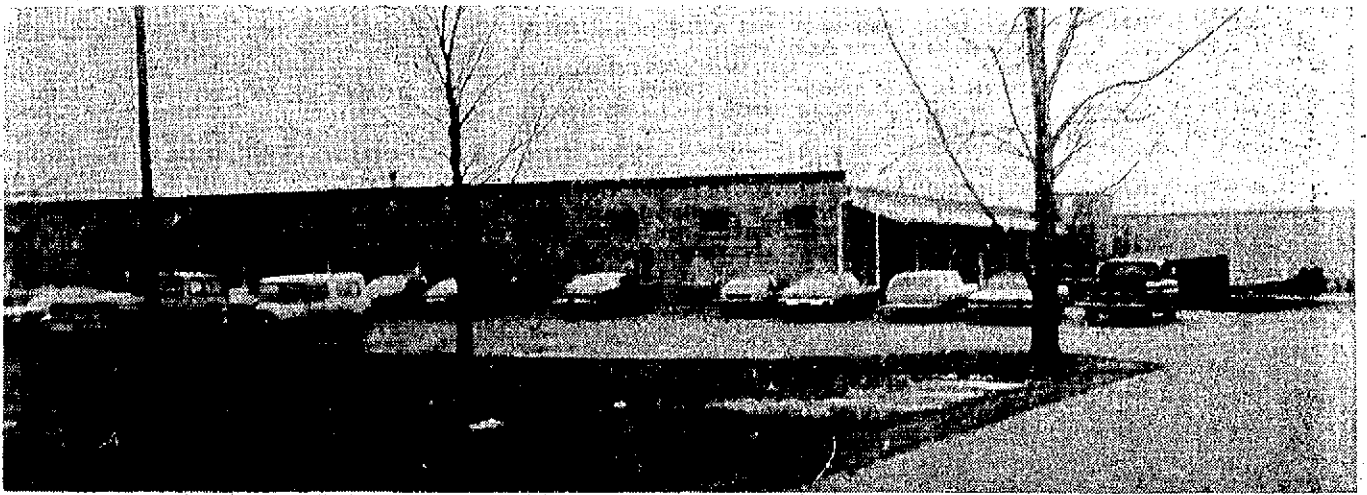
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The reason for the fluctuation of Social Security deductions is that the tax is levied as a flat 5.85 per cent of gross wages per pay period. But there is a ceiling on the amount of Social Security taxes anyone pays in a single year.

For 1975, the maximum tax was \$224.85. Since the figure represents 5.85 per cent of \$14,100, employers stopped deducting Social Security taxes from paychecks when workers' salaries hit that level.

For \$300-a-week wage earners, the last Social Security deductions were made Sept. 5.

The 1976 rate of taxation remains the same, but the government has raised to \$895.05 the ceiling on how much tax may be imposed on one person. That means up to \$15,300 of an individual's income will be taxed. And instead of enjoying a Thanksgiving bonus when the tax cuts off, the \$300-a-week worker will be paying Social Security taxes for four extra weeks, through Dec. 18 in 1976.

For that \$400-a-week wage earner, the payments will run through Oct. 1 instead of Sept. 5.

The higher ceiling on Social Security deductions is to help pay increased benefits for retired persons and adult welfare recipients, whose benefits are now linked to price increases.

And the inflation protection for recipients means higher taxes for people still working. Officials currently expect that the tax rate for Social Security will increase to 6.05 per cent in 1977, or 60 cents a week more for the \$300-a-week worker.

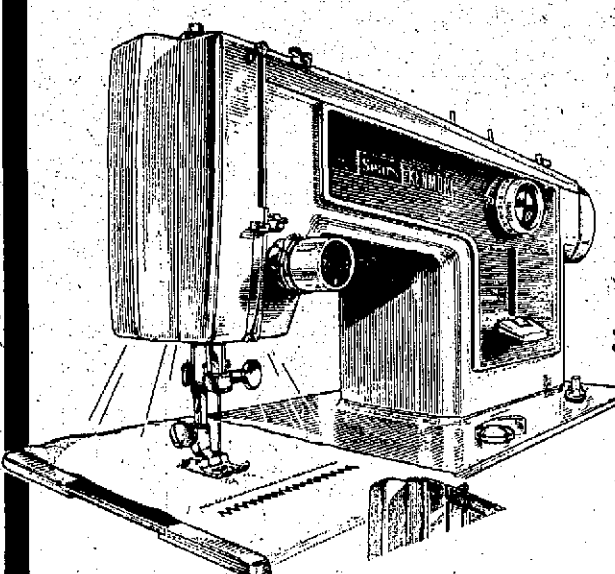
The ceiling is expected to rise to \$1,016.40, meaning people earning the same \$300 per week will then pay Social Security taxes all year.

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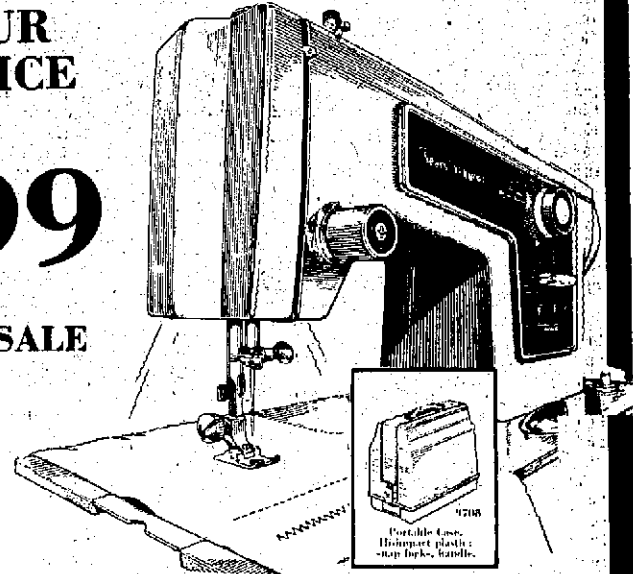
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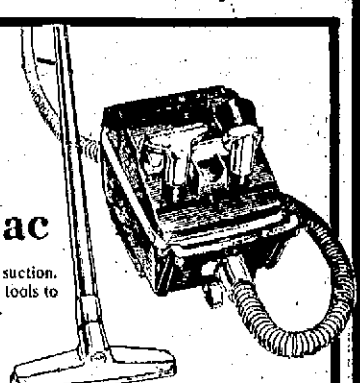
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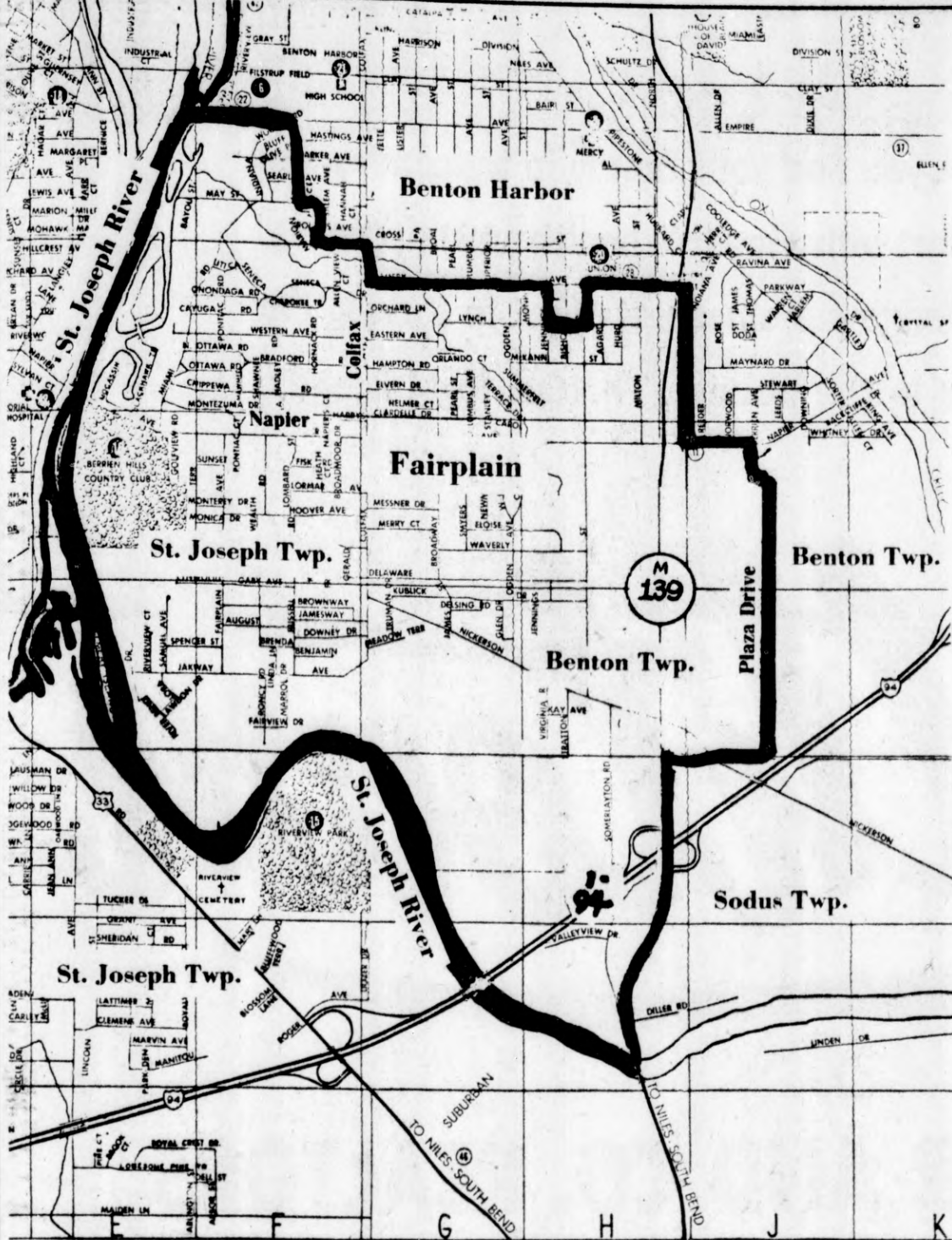
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MAP OF 'FAIRPLAIN': Boundaries of proposed City of Fairplain are delineated on map. Its northern edge (top) runs along south limits of Benton Harbor, and on west (left) and south the boundary would follow the St. Joseph river. It's eastern border follows: M-139 part of the way, but jogs further east to take in the Fairplain Plaza and related commercial area. Much of the boundaries follow the lines of the old Fairplain school district.

Legal Struggle Could Last Five Years

Fairplain 'City' Plans Stymied

The City of Fairplain is an idea that looked bright early this year, but faded because of legal entanglements. It appeared that geography was weighted against the idea.

Incorporation of Fairplain would remove 2.35 square miles from Benton township and 1.75 square miles from St. Joseph township.

This pits both townships against proponents of the city.

Fairplain also is immediately south of Benton Harbor, which has a predominately black school population.

This has pitted the NAACP against the idea with a charge of a "white noose" of segregation being fashioned around Benton Harbor.

Plans for the City of Fairplain looked their best on March 14, when the Michigan State Boundary commission voted 4 to 1 in favor of incorporation.

The commission was to issue formal findings to set the incorporation plan into motion. Then came a rapid succession of legal entanglements:

—James Hyde, executive director of the boundary commission on April 14 said the commission staff was too busy in court cases to issue its findings on Fairplain until May or later. These cases did not involve the Fairplain incorporation. But there were 31 or 32 of them, Hyde said. They were townships challenging a 1970 annexation law.

—On April 18, Ingham Circuit Judge James Kallman signed a restraining order to stop the

boundary commission from issuing its findings on Fairplain.

Kallman said decisions must be reached on various controversies: Division of municipal assets among a new city and the two townships it would come from; the question of whether electors of the area have a vote on the matter as a right or if the matter requires a petition; and questions over the boundary law, itself, that have not been resolved.

The motion for the restraining order was made by Atty. John L. Crow, St. Joseph township attorney; and Atty. F.A. (Mike) Jones and Thomas N. Robinson, representing Benton township.

—U.S. Dist. Judge Noel Fox on Sept. 24 named the state boundary commission as an added defendant in an original case of Barry versus the Benton Harbor school district, filed by the NAACP.

The NAACP claimed a pattern of actions by surrounding communities and county and state agencies is fostering a "white noose" of segregation.

Richard Hagenauer, chairman of the Committee for the City of Fairplain, remains optimistic and told some 200

people at a St. Joseph township board meeting in November that a city probably will be formed. He predicted it would take less than five years.

At the same meeting, Atty. Crow said he doubted if Fairplain ever would be incorporated. Crow said it would take at least five years, even if all the legal cards fell the way of city proponents right now.

Plans for Fairplain call for 4.1 square miles within boundaries of the former Fairplain school district. The city limits would not change existing school districts, but would be the most significant alteration of government boundaries since Fairplain and other school districts consolidated with Benton Harbor in 1965.

Fairplain's initial population would be about 7,300 and planners say the city would operate on a budget of \$486,386. Planners said the tax rate would be 7 mills, and not to exceed 10 mills.

Boundary Commission Chairman David Calhoun of Huntington Woods, cast the only opposition vote to incorporation last March, it was reported. Members favoring incorporation were, Oscar Weidner, Royalton township of Berrien

county; Max Petzke, II, City of St. Joseph; Al VanderLaan, Caledonia; and Irving Rozian, Plymouth.

Fate of Fairplain area has been an issue for nearly 30

years. Area voters in 1948 voted 579 to 306 against incorporation as a village. In 1965, efforts to annex the northwest quadrant of Fairplain to Benton Harbor failed by 24 net votes.



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Magazine Is Costly Venture

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Francis Ford Coppola cheerfully admits that City of San Francisco magazine is his Vietnam — "I can't see the light at the end of the tunnel."

Coppola, who made a fortune with a pair of films about organized crime, has poured nearly \$1 million into making the weekly magazine a success. But his latest venture reportedly is losing \$100,000 a month. "I always spend lots of dough," says Warren Hinckle, the dapper editor with the eye patch who guided the iconoclastic magazine Ramparts during its heyday in the 1960s. He was tapped by Coppola three months ago as City's editor.

When money from the first "Godfather" film started coming in Coppola became a financial angel to the struggling entertainment-oriented City magazine. Exasperated by the red ink, he took over completely last July.

He hired Hinckle as a guest editor, who promptly sold out his first press run of 38,000 with a cover story purporting to explain why women have a tough time finding sex in San Francisco.

Hinckle then got the job permanently, but with a Coppola condition: "If I don't like the magazine, I'll just get another editor."

The magazine has defied local pundits' predictions that it would fold by Labor Day, or by Thanksgiving and, now, there are whispers it won't survive the new year.

Coppola doesn't talk about money anymore. Hinckle says only that "it is an expensive business. It's a tough job and a hard one to pull off. Coppola deserves a lot of credit for putting his money where his mouth is."

Hinckle says he is banking on the magazine being a true reflection of San Francisco: breezy, controversial, and "fabulously libertine." He eschews the slicker form adopted by "city" magazines elsewhere.

Virtually every issue has at least one article dealing with the city's large homosexual community and one on local politics. Hinckle thinks nothing of publishing an article sympathetic toward a particular person and, a couple of issues later, raking that same person over the coals.

The magazine averages about 50 or 60 pages each week but appears dangerously low in advertising, the key barometer to any publication's economic stability.

Hinckle admits worrying very little about the critical issue of financing the magazine. He says it normally takes about seven years to put a magazine on a money-making basis.

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Gulf Report Names Hugh Scott

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republican Leader Hugh Scott allegedly made repeated requests for Gulf Oil money even while the Watergate scandals were boiling in 1973, according to a Gulf investigative panel.

The panel quoted statements attributed to Gulf's political bagman, Claude C. Wild Jr., who reportedly claimed to have

made secret cash payments to Scott of \$10,000 a year for about 13 years.

The special review committee, set up by Gulf to investigate its own illegal political donations in the United States, South Korea and elsewhere said in a report released Tuesday that in 13 years Gulf disbursed some \$12.3 million at home and abroad for political donations

and related matters, mostly illegal.

These included \$4 million in illegal political gifts to the ruling party in South Korea, \$4 million disbursed by Wild to a galaxy of U.S. political figures, \$627,000 to Italian political parties and a \$108,000 helicopter to the late Bolivian dictator Rene Barrientos, who was later killed when the aircraft crashed.

The panel also said it found some \$2 million in previously undisclosed, illegal political payments in Canada, Italy and Sweden.

Committee officials said "it has not been possible — and perhaps never will be — to trace all the funds" paid to U.S. politicians in violation of the law.

The committee's report was critical of top Gulf management

and said Gulf chairman Bob R. Dorsey "should have known that Wild was involved in making political contributions" from unknown sources. If Dorsey did not know of the nature and extent of Wild's unlawful activities, he perhaps chose to shut his eyes to what was going on.

But the report said the panel's evidence "falls short of demonstrating that Dorsey was informed of Wild's unlawful political activities."

Outlining the Scott incident, the panel said that "even after the initial Watergate publicity erupted in 1973 the senator again requested funds from Wild. Wild apparently told the senator that he could not provide the money any longer, but the senator seemed unable to understand why."

"The matter was left that they would talk again around Christmas of that year. The senator renewed his request at that time, and Wild repeated that there were no longer any funds and that his pipeline had been cut off."

The report was filed with federal court and the Securities and Exchange Commission. The panel, headed by New York lawyer John Jay McCloy, has been investigating Gulf's activities since last March.

The report said the Scott story was relayed by Pittsburgh lawyer Thomas D. Wright, based on his interviews with Wild in 1973 and 1974, when Wright was investigating Wild's activities for Gulf's directors.

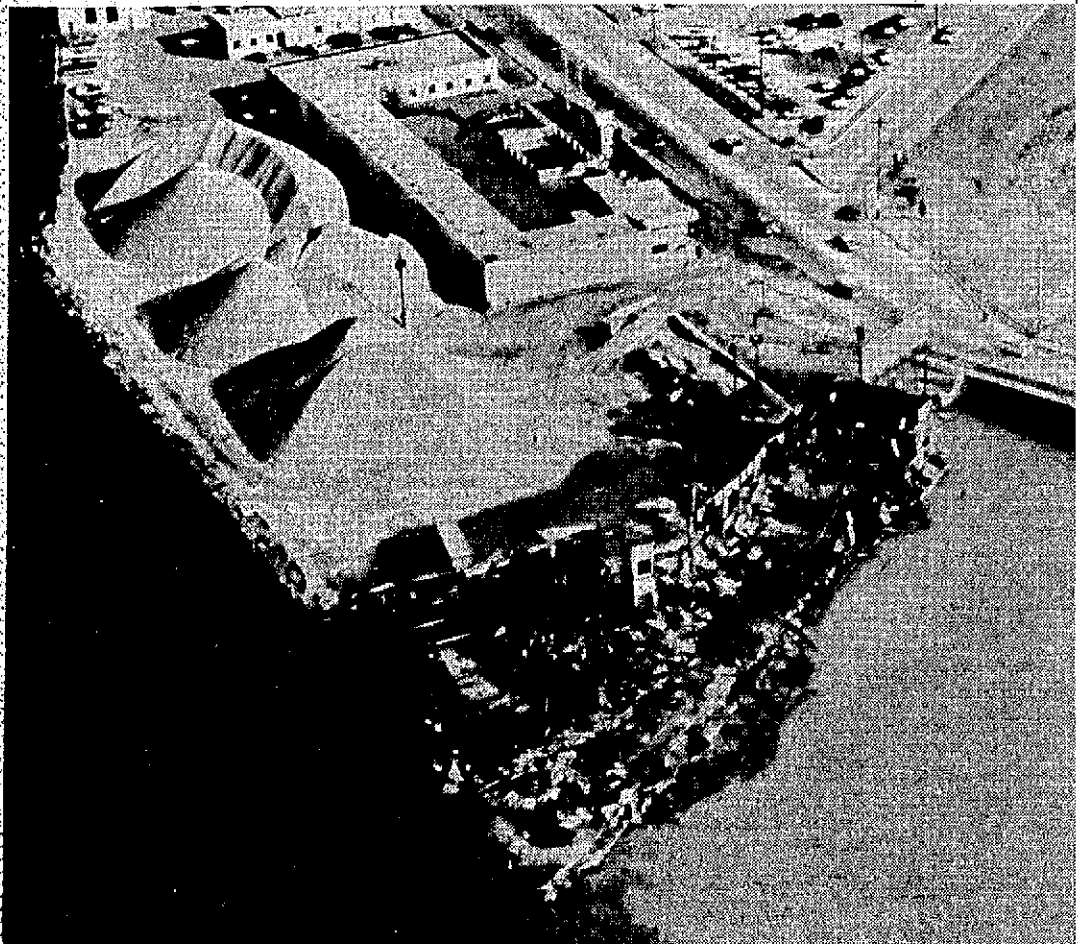
Wild himself won't now confirm or deny the Scott story. He recently invoked the Fifth Amendment protection against self-incrimination and refused an SEC request to testify about it.

Scott was unavailable for comment. He has not denied receiving Gulf payments, but he has said he got only political donations and denies that he knew any such donations came from corporate funds. Wright quoted Wild as saying the money was for Scott's personal use.

Shortly after initial accounts of the Gulf payments surfaced in SEC court filings, Scott an-



FIRST LAKE CROSSING: Balloonists Paul Woessner and Stephen Neulander, of the Chicago area, made history Jan. 17 by completing first known crossing of Lake Michigan in a hot air balloon. They landed in a snowy field south of Glenn in Allegan county. The balloon is seen letting down at the end of the 3-hour and 17-minute journey across the lake. Blue Star highway is in the foreground with I-196 in the background. (Aerial photo by Adolph Hann)



CENTRAL DOCK DESTROYED: A Benton Harbor landmark, the Central Dock (foreground), focal point for thousands of lake steamer passengers until 1940's, was destroyed by fire last Feb. 2. The dock was located off West Main street at the confluence of the old Benton Harbor Ship canal (left) and the St. Joseph river. Warehouse structures were added in

1917. The docks, however, had been used for passenger service since the turn of the century. In its heyday the docks could accommodate two large lake steamers at a time. The debris has been cleared since this aerial photo was taken by Adolph Hann the day after the fire.

nounced he would not seek reelection.

First accounts of the alleged Scott payments were hazy on when they ended. The panel's report has Wright quoting Wild as saying they began in 1960 and continued until the spring of

1973, just before the Watergate disclosures which led to Wild pleading guilty to making illegal political donations to former President Richard M. Nixon, Rep. Wilbur D. Mills, D-Ark., and Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash.

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PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — She wasn't even around in the '50's, but Pontiac Stadium is getting dusted up for Elvis Presley's New Year's Eve concert just the same.

Jerry Barron, stadium promotions director, says more than 90,000 persons are expected to jam the stadium — which was just completed this past autumn — to see the rock idol who recently turned 40.

"Ticket sales are brisk," Barron said. "There are very few seats left."

"Tickets for the concert sold for \$15, \$11.50, \$8 and \$6."

Stadium workers have been working all week, Barron said, transforming the football field into a sea of folding chairs surrounding a square stage at the 50-yard line.

Barron said the Stadium Authority would provide a beefed-up security force to keep Presley safe from ardent admirers.

"Sometimes the ladies get excited," Barron said. "We'll have added security, especially since he has to come to the center of the field to get on-stage."

Presley's show is scheduled to run from 8:30 p.m. until midnight, Barron said.

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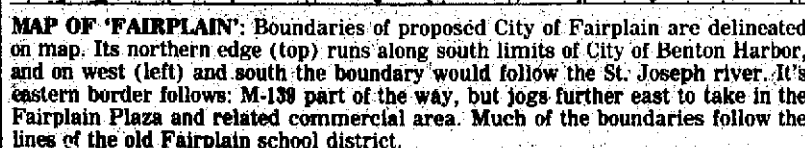
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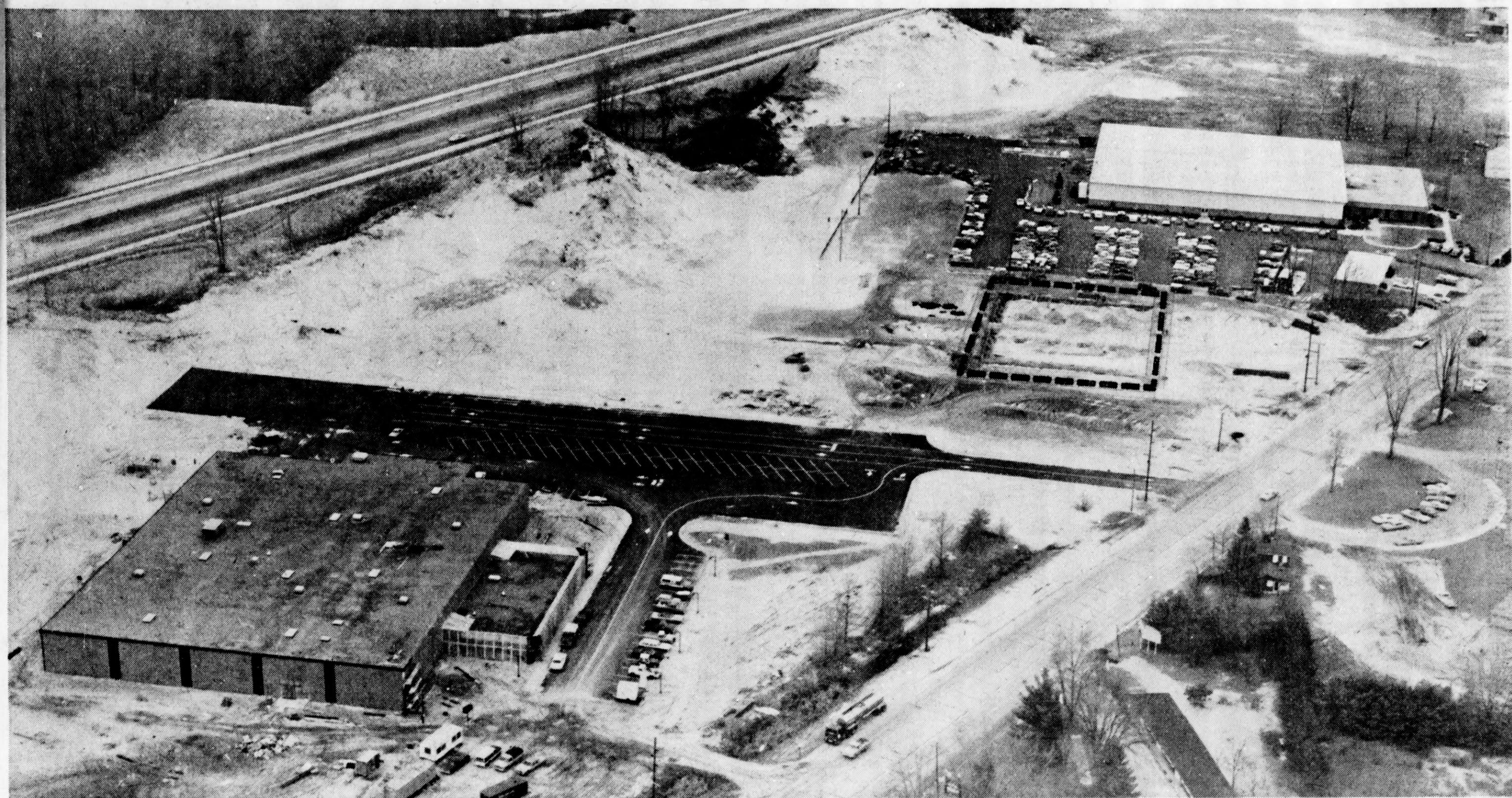
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Many improvements in the way of equipment, new product lines and buildings were introduced and plans for more innovations are in the works for 1976.

A number of industries took advantage of a tax exemption made available under the Michigan plant rehabilitation and industrial development districts act of 1974 and announced plans for building additions that should be ready in 1976.

Many companies reported a decrease in sales in 1975 and profits were diminished further by inflation. Energy remained a high priority concern due to continued shortages and increasing costs.

Whirlpool Corp. reported 1975 was a year of recovery and stabilization for them. The company reported it turned the corner of the economic downturn which began in late 1974 and strengthened its position in the industry.

Significant improvements were noted in both sales and earnings during the second and third quarters over the previous two quarters.

Whirlpool officials look to 1976 with guarded optimism. Commenting on next year John H. Platts, chairman of the

board and chief executive officer for Whirlpool, said, "We expect 1976 to be a good year for the major home appliance industry, if current forecasts are anywhere near the mark."

He noted that in 1976 Whirlpool will continue to be faced with some serious challenges; among them being continued inflation, high unemployment, sustained high interest rates, unpredictable consumer confidence and the continued shortage of increasingly costly energy.

Among improvements at the St. Joseph division was the beginning of construction of a 16,000 square foot building for a new steel coil splitting process.

Whirlpool reported production and employment turned upward in the second and third quarters and most of those on layoff were recalled to meet the production increases reflecting growing consumer demand.

Lester Tiscornia, president of Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., expressed confidence in an improved economy over the coming year.

Tiscornia said the Ausco's casting division products are used mostly in cars and trucks, so the increased production schedules by these manufacturers have had the company working close to normal capacity in some plants.

He noted presently less than 60 employees there are on layoff status.

Ausco reported that the jack division, which is closely tied to light truck production, is busy presently and is expected to remain so for the rest of the model year. Ausco's expects a normal year in the aftermarket segment of this division.

Wide acceptance of the new "fail-safe" brake for hydraulic drives meant more business for the brake division at Hartford, according to Tiscornia. He said that early in 1976 Ausco will market through Airstream Trailers a new caliper disc brake.

John Banyon, Benton Harbor division manager of Indiana & Michigan Electric Co., cited rate relief granted the company by both the Michigan and In-

diana public service commissions as being primarily responsible for an improvement in the utility's position in 1975.

One immediate area benefit of I&M's improved financial condition, Banyon noted, was the resumption of construction on the second generating unit at the Donald C. Cook nuclear plant, Bridgman.

Construction at the lakefront facility was halted in November of 1974 by economic pressures, but was resumed last July. Approximately 400 construction workers are at the site now, readying unit 2 for an anticipated completion date in late 1977.

Meanwhile, unit 1 at the nuclear plant achieved its initial criticality (chain reaction) last Jan. 18 and was declared in commercial operation on Aug. 23.

A major project scheduled within the division in 1976 will be an increase in the transformer capacity of the Corey station east of Cassopolis to 130,000 kilowatts. The station accepts power at 138,000 volts

for sub-transmission at 69,000 volts and the capacity increase will reinforce the division's transmission network and bolster the power supply to the Michigan Power Co.

While the economic pressures that confronted the company in 1974 have abated, Banyon said I&M sale of electricity during the past year reflects the sluggish state of the economy. The company has a history of annual electricity usage increases by its customers of about eight per cent, he said, but usage in 1975 remained virtually the same as in 1974.

Heath Co. officials reported during 1975 they reinforced their position as the world's largest electronic kit manufacturer with the introduction of 52 new products.

Heath reported the record number of product introductions was the result of a decision made by management several years ago to substantially increase their engineering capability.

New products introduced ranged from an electronic digi-

tal stopwatch to a programmable electronic doorbell.

The large number of new products improved international sales, and new retail store openings in Norfolk, Va., and Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, helped Heath offset 1975's recessionary economy.

While sales were slightly below the prior year, Heath Co. anticipates an improvement of the economy in 1976 with many more new products scheduled for introduction during the year.

Additional new U.S. retail stores are planned for San Jose, Cal., Arlington, Va., Newark, N.J., and Cleveland, Ohio, plus another store in Toronto, Ontario and a new location in Lyn, France.

Michael A. Leonard, general manager of the Hydraulic division of the Bendix Corp., said sales for 1975 increased over 1974. He noted Bendix is heavily automotive oriented and its business activity generally follows the pattern of the automobile industry.

He said, "We continue to

emphasize that our people are our biggest asset and although employment remained relatively steady this past year at 1,150, we anticipate that with increasing sales we will be adding to this number."

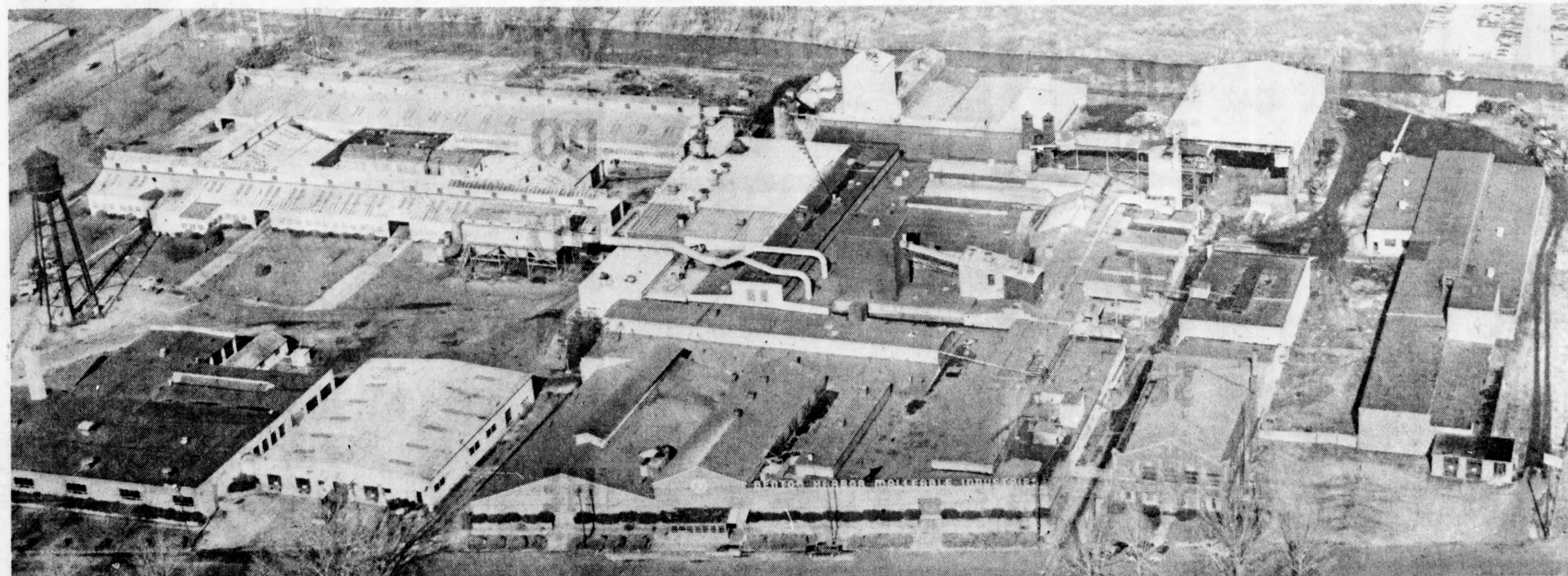
He added, "We are continuing our efforts to improve the environmental aspects of our business, with the latest addition being a waste treatment plant which treats effluents prior to discharge into the city sewer system."

Leonard said he anticipated the 1976 automobile picture will continue to gradually improve, which provides the Hydraulics division with an optimistic outlook for the upcoming year.

Issuance by the City of Benton Harbor of a \$1 million industrial revenue bond in February of 1975 was used to help finance a portion of a \$2.3 million improvement program at Superior Steel.

Robert Kish, president of Superior Steel, a subsidiary of the Mangood Corp., Chicago,

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MALLEABLE EMPTY IN 1975: Big plant of Benton Harbor Malleable Industries, long one of Benton Harbor's largest employers, stood idle all through 1975. Just as year was ending, however, Twin City Metal Finishing Co. revealed it is buying two of the build-

ings (left foreground) and will move its operations there, bringing some life back to the site. Malleable, declared bankrupt, ceased all operations in December of 1974. This past October, tools, machines and equipment were sold in giant auction. For want of any

bids on the plant itself by industrial firms, the mortgage holders, Farmers & Merchants Bank and the Continental Illinois Bank of Chicago, bid on property for \$830,000. Banks have been seeking buyers since. Malleable was established in 1906 and employed over

1,000 people during at least one boom period in the company's long history. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)



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Despite Effects Of Recession Many Area Firms Expand

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said the expansion and modernization program included the installation of better lighting, heat and dust-collection systems and material handling systems.

Kish said when the program is completed Superior Steel's melt capacity will have been increased by about two tons per hour and its conventional foundry mold-making capacity by about 3,000 tons of castings per year.

Superior Steel reported employment of production employees throughout 1975 remained relatively stable. Any layoff of personnel was small in number and short in duration.

Nominal increases in sales were reported for the first of the year with some sales decrease in the second half of the year.

V-M Corp. reported active employment of about 200 people at mid-December, down substantially from earlier years. This level was reported to have been fairly steady for the past six months, but earlier in the year it had been much slower.

Victor Miller, president and general manager of V-M, said the prime limitation in 1975 was financial, as it has been for the past several years. He said the need is for money to accelerate payment to suppliers, so that they will in turn accelerate the flow of needed materials.

Sales levels declined during 1975 for Ball Rubber division as the effects of the slow down in the economy were felt by their customers. Ball customers include large auto, appliance and construction products manufacturers. Ball markets custom molded, extruded rubber and plastic parts as well as gas welding hose.

The past year marked the end of production activities at the Edgewater molding operation due to reduced sales levels as well as old and inefficient facilities. Much of the production equipment was moved to the Chardon, Ohio, facility where space was available. Some equipment was moved to the Hilltop road plant in St. Joseph.

Sales prospects for 1976 look considerably better than 1975, according to Ball officials. Some automotive production

schedules for the first quarter of 1976 are up 50 per cent over the first quarter of 1975.

Appliance manufacturers have also shown some upward movement in their schedules. According to Ball, new manufacturing equipment installed during 1975 will help to hold costs down and offer products at competitive prices.

Present employment at Ball stands at approximately 170 people.

"After an almost unreal 1974 where we saw sales and profits increase by 32 per cent and 41 per cent over 1973, we experienced the full dose of a low total economy in 1975," Warren Gast, president and general manager of Gast

Manufacturing Corp., said.

Gast noted that profits were down this year 43 per cent compared to 1974 and 20 per cent below 1973.

Gast said, "Of the 328 employees on the payroll in Benton Harbor, 30 are still on layoff from about the first of April. Overtime was practically nonexistent during most of 1975."

Gast predicted that, "Since our business is dependent on the total economy (as opposed to a segment or market), and there are positive signs of the economy rebounding, we're looking for sales to increase 15 per cent over 1975. The first quarter will be pretty much more of the same with our activity picking up in the second quarter."

A new Gast plant in Bridgman to house the reciprocating products division is expected to open the third week in January.

Edward T. Donahue, vice president and general manager of the construction machinery division of Clark Equipment, said 1975 in the main was a good year for his division, but it did not turn out as well as had been originally forecast in late 1974.

Donahue noted many changes that took place in the market were brought about primarily by the unanticipated depths of the economic downturn. The drop in housing construction across the U.S. affected the construction machinery line.

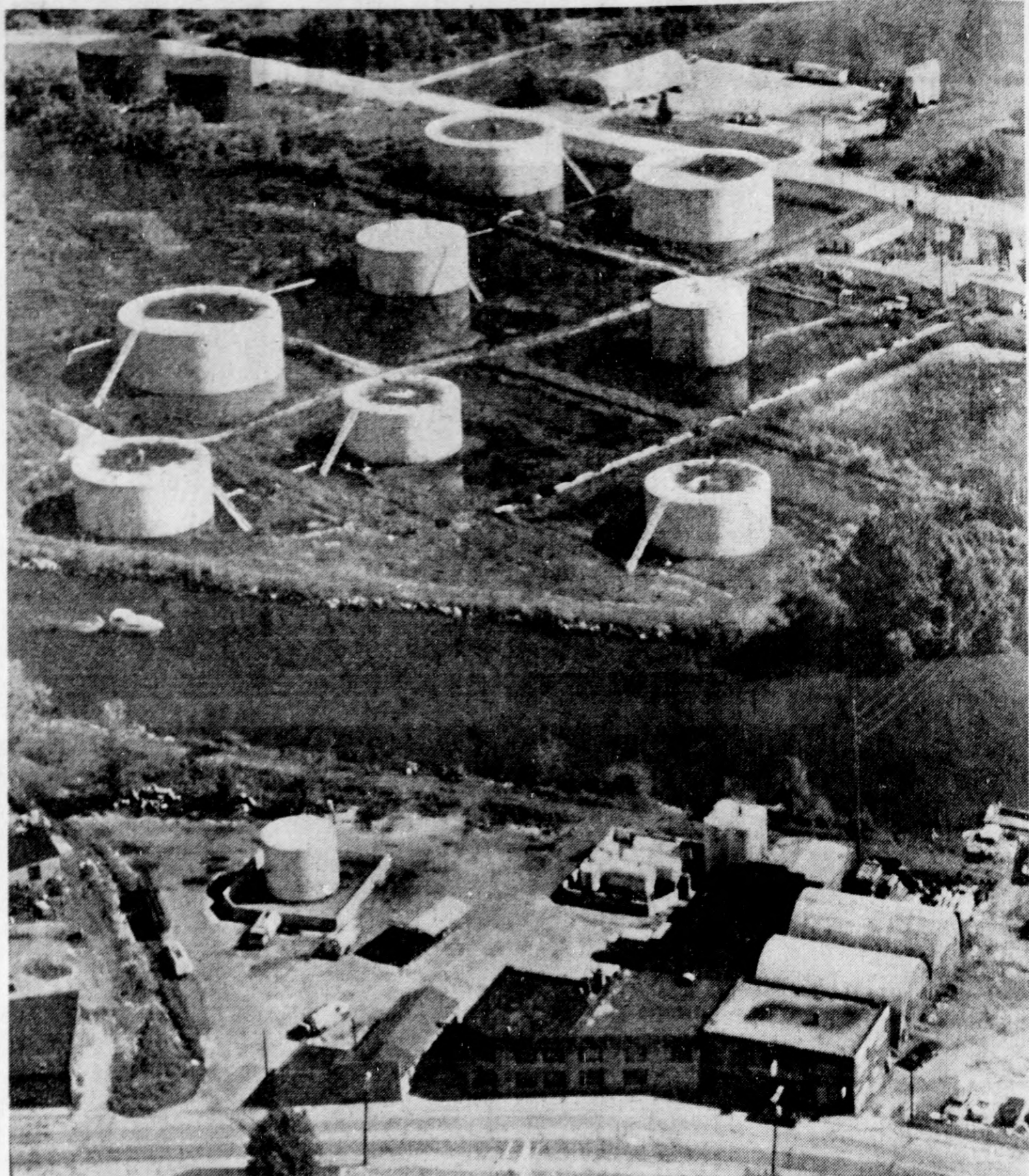
Particularly affected were the smaller model tractor shovels, logging machinery and rubber-tired scrapers.

Donahue said to a major degree a relatively strong mining market offset some of the downturn seen in the construction business.

Capital investment programs at the Benton Harbor plant were on schedule throughout the year. The major addition was the new engineering laboratory building adjacent to 194 which opened in early 1975.

Clark's officials reported in December that 300 factory workers will be laid off for about a month starting Jan. 5. The layoffs were attributed to "general economic conditions" and sufficient inventory to cover orders.

Among a sampling of the area's smaller industries things



NEW OWNERS FOR TANK FARM: Enterprise Oil and Gas Co., Detroit, announced purchase of petroleum terminal from Cities Service Oil Co., last Aug. 8. The tank farm on Radio island, formerly Industrial island, is in St. Joseph between Morrison channel (across lower center of photo) and St. Joseph river. First two tanks were constructed in 1933 and

additional tanks added later. Terminal now has capacity of 14 million gallons and covers eight acres. Enterprise spokesman said terminal is being used to store fuel oil. Oil arrived by barge from Chicago. In foreground of aerial photograph by Adolph Hann is former Theisen-Clemens offices, now headquarters for Pri Mar Petroleum Inc.

were not much different with most companies facing the same problems as the major industries.

L.H. Fish, president of the F.P. Rosback Co., Benton Harbor, reported that 1975 was a good year equal to that of 1974. Rosback Co. makes printing and bookbinding machinery for the graphic arts industry.

Fish attributed the good year to the fact many printers re-evaluated their production flow and found the need to upgrade their bindery departments. Fish believes this evaluation process will continue during 1976 and he sees a new market opening in the private or in-house printing fields.

David J. Walton, president of

Du-Wel Metal Products, Inc., with main offices in Bangor, reported the first half of 1975 was a bad one, but recovery during the last two quarters allowed 1975 to be termed a "modest" year.

Walton said, "During the first half of 1975 our employment dropped from a high attained in early 1974 of 750 to a low of 430.

Our manufacturing activity dropped by 40 per cent, due to a general sales drop among our customers...."

Walton said a strong cost reduction program, capital investments to reduce costs through automation and a strong economic recovery among the customer group lead

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NEW CONCRETE PLANT: Ireland and Lester Co., 220 North Wayne street, St. Joseph, expects to put this 45-foot high, \$150,000 transit mix concrete plant into operation this spring. Completely automated, it will fill mixer trucks with precise amounts of aggregate, cement and water. Ireland and Lester is providing much of the concrete for new Twin City bridges under construction immediately adjacent to the plant. Richard Eastman, general manager, said firm received 10 per cent more limestone, agricultural lime, slag and salt this year than it did in 1974. (Staff photo)

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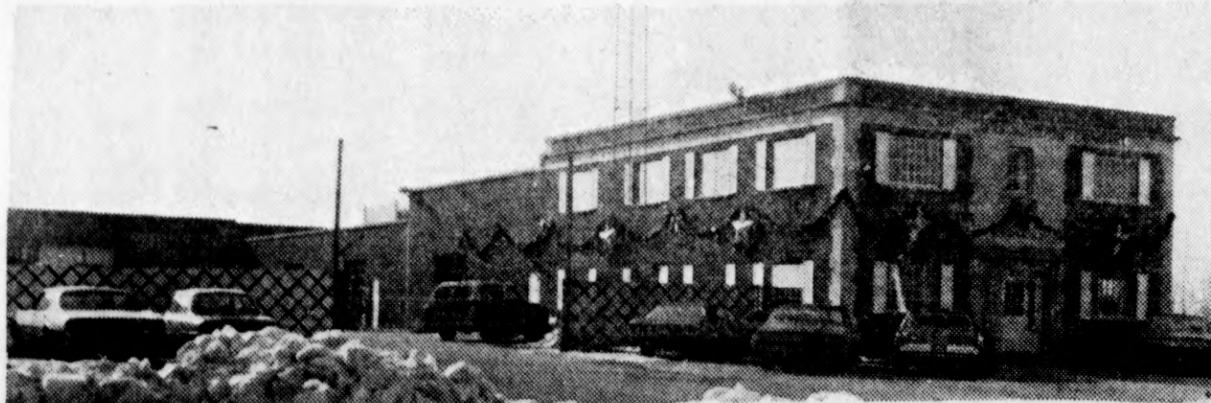
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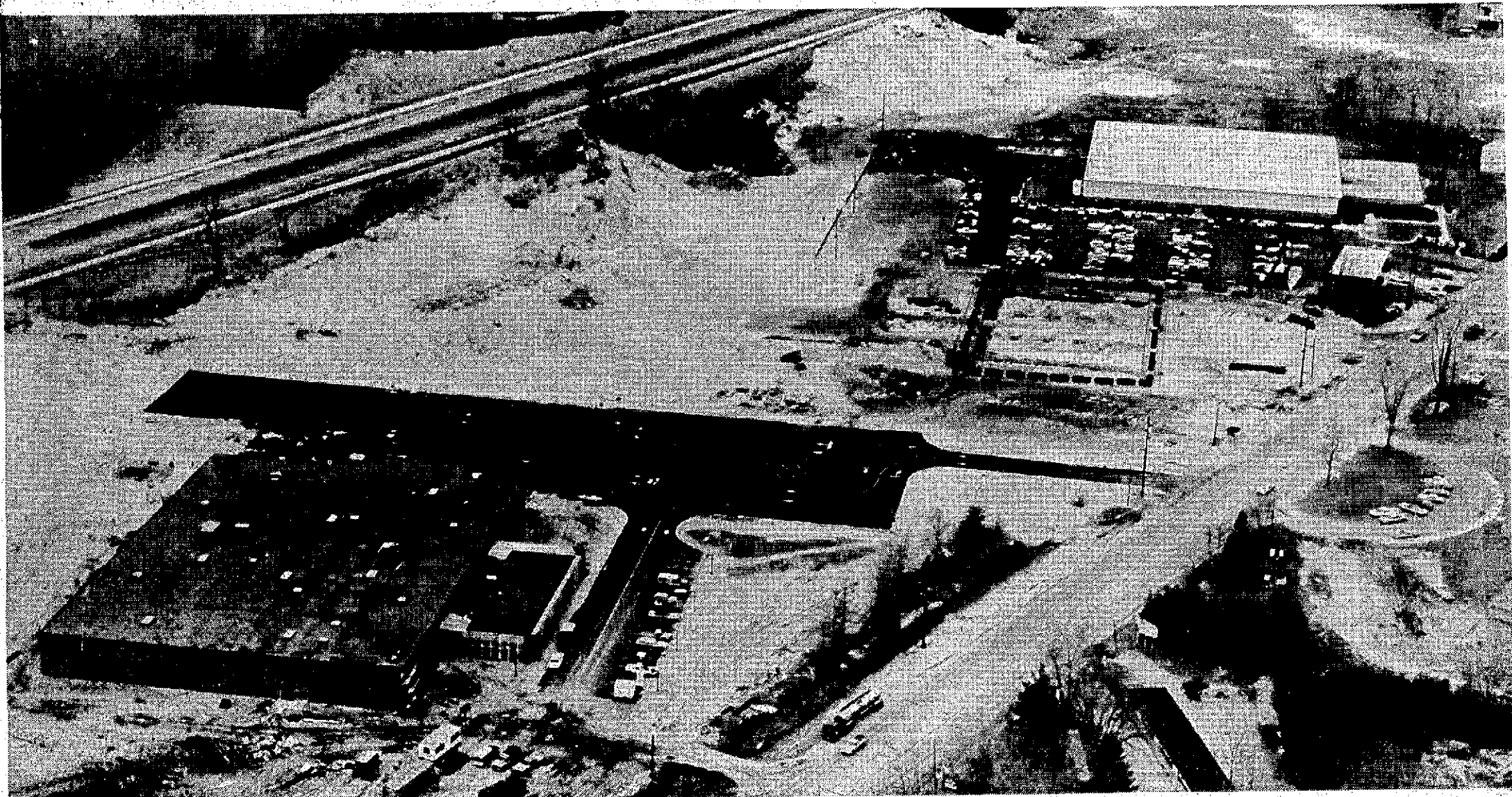
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Many improvements in the way of equipment, new product lines and buildings were introduced and plans for more innovations are in the works for 1976.

A number of industries took advantage of a tax exemption made available under the Michigan plant rehabilitation and industrial development districts act of 1974 and announced plans for building additions that should be ready in 1976.

Many companies reported a decrease in sales in 1975 and profits were diminished further by inflation. Energy remained a high priority concern due to continued shortages and increasing costs.

Whirlpool Corp. reported 1975 was a year of recovery and stabilization for them. The company reported it turned the corner of the economic downturn which began in late 1974 and strengthened its position in the industry.

Significant improvements were noted in both sales and earnings during the second and third quarters over the previous two quarters.

Whirlpool officials look to 1976 with guarded optimism.

Commenting on next year John H. Platts, chairman of the

board and chief executive officer for Whirlpool, said, "We expect 1976 to be a good year for the major home appliance industry, if current forecasts are anywhere near the mark."

He noted that in 1976 Whirlpool will continue to be faced with some serious challenges; among them being continued inflation, high unemployment, sustained high interest rates, unpredictable consumer confidence and the continued shortage of increasingly costly energy.

Among improvements at the St. Joseph division was the beginning of construction of a 16,000 square foot building for a new steel coil splitting process.

Whirlpool reported production and employment turned upward in the second and third quarters and most of those on layoff were recalled to meet the production increases reflecting growing consumer demand.

Lester Tiscornia, president of Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., expressed confidence in an improved economy over the coming year.

Tiscornia said the Ausco's casting division products are used mostly in cars and trucks, so the increased production schedules by these manufacturers have had the company working close to normal capacity in some plants.

He noted presently less than 60 employees there are on layoff status.

Ausco reported that the jack division, which is closely tied to light truck production, is busy presently and is expected to remain so for the rest of the model year. Ausco's expects a normal year in the aftermarket segment of this division.

Wide acceptance of the new "fail-safe" brake for hydraulic drives meant more business for the brake division at Hartford, according to Tiscornia. He said that early in 1976 Ausco will market through Airstream Trailers a new caliper disc brake.

John Banyon, Benton Harbor division manager of Indiana & Michigan Electric Co., cited rate relief granted the company by both the Michigan and In-

diana public service commissions as being primarily responsible for an improvement in the utility's position in 1975.

One immediate area benefit of I&M's improved financial condition, Banyon noted, was the resumption of construction on the second generating unit at the Donald C. Cook nuclear plant, Bridgman.

Construction at the lakefront facility was halted in November of 1974 by economic pressures, but was resumed last July. Approximately 400 construction workers are at the site now, readying unit 2 for an anticipated completion date in late 1977.

Meanwhile, unit 1 at the nuclear plant achieved its initial criticality (chain reaction) last Jan. 18 and was declared in commercial operation on Aug. 21.

A major project scheduled within the division in 1976 will be an increase in the transformer capacity of the Corey station east of Cassopolis to 130,000 kilowatts. The station accepts power at 138,000 volts

for sub-transmission at 69,000 volts and the capacity increase will reinforce the division's transmission network and bolster the power supply to the Michigan Power Co.

While the economic pressures that confronted the company in 1974 have abated, Banyon said I&M sale of electricity during the past year reflects the sluggish state of the economy. The company has a history of annual electricity usage increases by its customers of about eight per cent, he said, but usage in 1975 remained virtually the same as in 1974.

Heath Co. officials reported during 1975 they reinforced their position as the world's largest electronic kit manufacturer with the introduction of 32 new products.

Heath reported the record number of product introductions was the result of a decision made by management several years ago to substantially increase their engineering capability.

New products introduced ranged from an electronic digi-

tal stopwatch to a programmable electronic doorbell.

The large number of new products improved international sales, and new retail store openings in Norfolk, Va., and Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, helped Heath offset 1975's recessionary economy.

While sales were slightly below the prior year, Heath Co. anticipates an improvement of the economy in 1976 with many more new products scheduled for introduction during the year.

Additional new U.S. retail stores are planned for San Jose, Cal., Arlington, Va., Newark, N.J., and Cleveland, Ohio, plus another store in Toronto, Ontario and a new location in Lyn, France.

Michael A. Leonard, general manager of the Hydraulic division of the Bendix Corp., said sales for 1975 increased over 1974. He noted Bendix is heavily automotive oriented and its business activity generally follows the pattern of the automobile industry.

He said, "We continue to

emphasize that our people are our biggest asset and although employment remained relatively steady this past year at 1,150, we anticipate that with increasing sales we will be adding to this number."

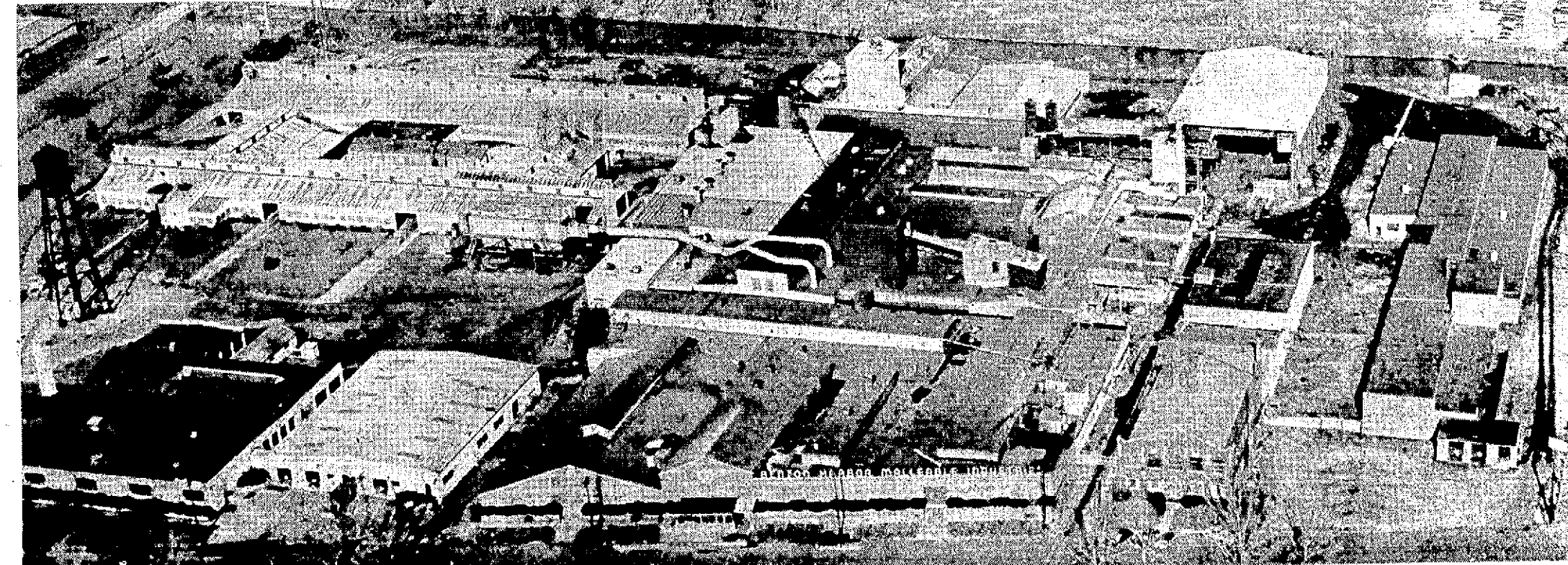
He added, "We are continuing our efforts to improve the environmental aspects of our business, with the latest addition being a waste treatment plant which treats effluents prior to discharge into the city sewer system."

Leonard said he anticipated the 1976 automobile picture will continue to gradually improve, which provides the Hydraulics division with an optimistic outlook for the upcoming year.

Issuance by the City of Benton Harbor of a \$1 million industrial revenue bond in February of 1975 was used to help finance a portion of a \$2.3 million improvement program at Superior Steel.

Robert Kish, president of Superior Steel, a subsidiary of the Mangood Corp., Chicago,

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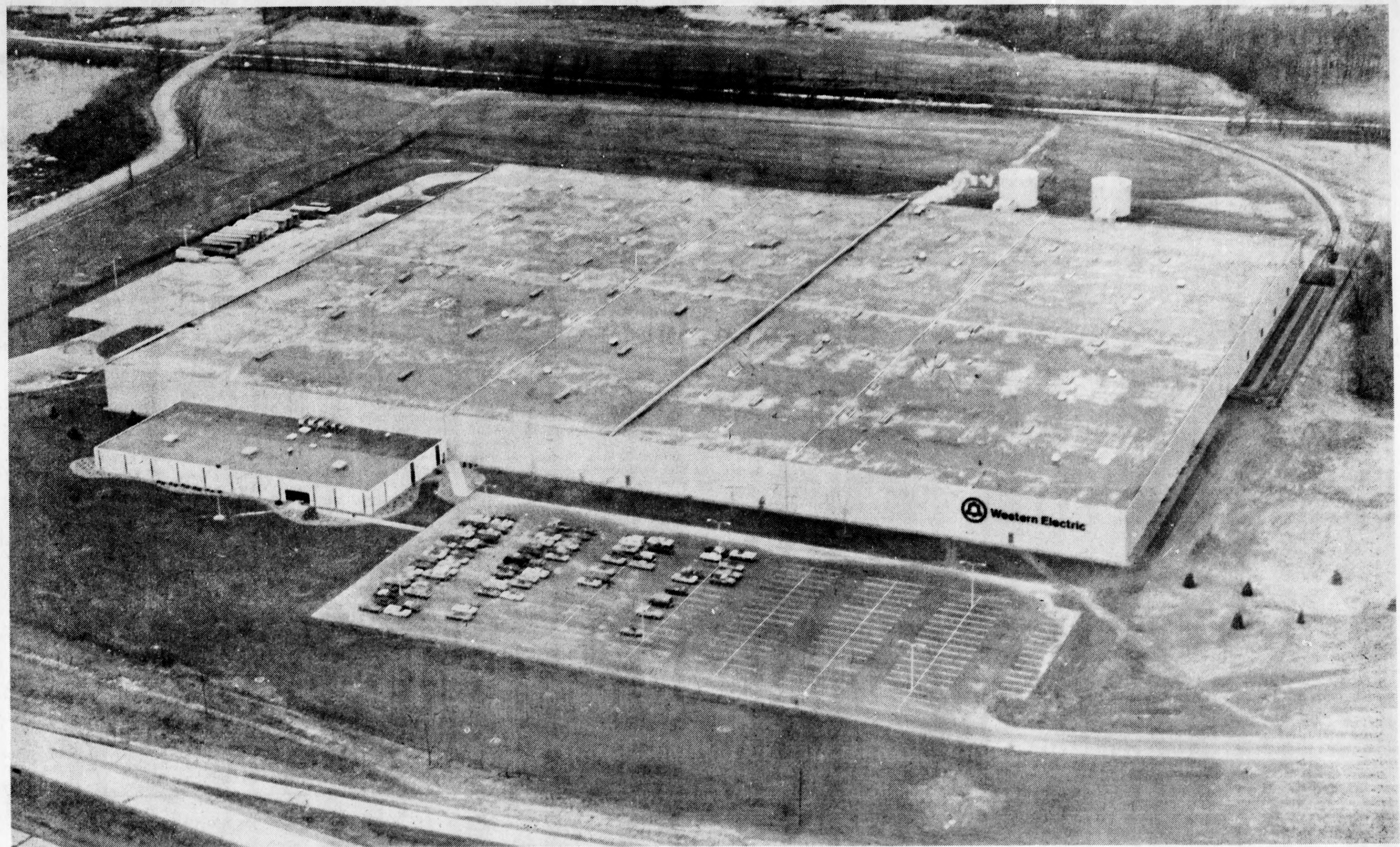


MALLEABLE EMPTY IN 1975: Big plant of Benton Harbor Malleable Industries, long one of Benton Harbor's largest employers, stood idle all through 1975. Just as year was ending, however, Twin City Metal Finishing Co. revealed it is buying two of the build-

ings (left foreground) and will move its operations there, bringing some life back to the site. Malleable, declared bankrupt, ceased all operations in December of 1974. This past October, tools, machines and equipment were sold in giant auction. For want of any

bids on the plant itself by industrial firms, the mortgage holders, Farmers & Merchants Bank and the Continental Illinois Bank of Chicago, bid on property for \$630,000. Banks have been seeking buyers since. Malleable was established in 1906 and employed over

1,000 people during at least one boom period in the company's long history. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)



IN USE AS '75 ENDS: Western Electric company's giant \$5 million material management center in Berrien township near Niles was largely finished in 1975 and went into operation late in year, even though not all plant equipment will be installed until about next

May. Plant presently is phasing into full operation and is expected to hit full stride in August, 1976, according to Larry Mack, personnel department chief. Meanwhile, 43 Michigan-Indiana workers were hired

in November-December, another 15 will go on payroll first week of January, and employment by end of 1976 should total about 150, Mack said. By the end of 1975, some 2 million pounds of telecommunications equip-

ment arrived at plant, all intended for delivery to Bell telephone companies in Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin. Plant covers 14 acres. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

LAWMEN BLAME 'COMBINATION OF FACTORS'

Traffic Fatalities Increase Nearly 40% In Berrien

Berrien county traffic fatalities jumped nearly 40 per cent in 1975 over 1974 and two county lawmen place the blame on not one but a combination of factors.

Among those factors, said Berrien Sheriff Forest "Nick" Jewell and Lt. Carl Hulander, commander of the Benton Harbor state police post, are an increase in drinking drivers, much more traffic, a disregard for the lower speed limit and a law enforcement workload that has cut down on traffic patrols.

Fifty-seven people died on county roads in 1975, up from 35 the year before.

Ironically, Berrien closed out 1975 with no fatal traffic accidents in the final 38 days of the year. Thus the beginning and end of the year were fatality-free. Berrien recorded no fatal accidents in either January or December.

Conversely, however, the neighboring counties of Van Buren, Cass and Allegan experienced about the same or fewer traffic deaths this year than in 1974.

The 57 highway deaths in Berrien made it the bloodiest year since 1972, when 63 people were killed in this county. The 35 who died on Berrien highways in 1974 were the fewest killed in the past nine years.

Hulander noted that Benton Harbor troopers arrested more drunk drivers in 1975 than in 1974 and "they always play a part in

fatal accidents."

Jewell said while traffic has increased, "law enforcement is loaded with other types of work and this has led to a reduction in time for preventative patrol." He added that in October and November the number of traffic summons declined — "we had no time to spend on the highways."

The 55 mile per hour speed limit, imposed during the 1974 energy crunch and felt to be a major factor in the low fatal total that year, was cited as a factor this year, but because of disregard for the speed limit.

Hulander pointed out "The reason it (fatalities) was so low in 1974 was compliance with the lower speed limit. With the energy scare people complied voluntarily. People have gotten over the energy scare and disregarding it has brought (fatalities) back up."

An abundance of good weather in the summer and fall was also cited as a contributing factor in the rise in fatalities. Jewell said good weather makes it ideal to drive, while during bad weather drivers cut down on speed which leads to fewer fatalities and personal injury accidents. Statistics bear him out. The highest

death toll for a month was August, with 11 killed. October and November, both mild this fall, had the next highest number of fatalities in the county, seven and nine respectively.

In contrast to Berrien county, however, traffic fatalities in two of three other southwestern Michigan counties declined in 1975, in keeping with the state decline.

Allegan county dropped from 24 traffic deaths in 1974 to 21 in 1975. Cass county went from 27 to 22 and Van Buren went up from 16 in 1974 to 17 during 1975.

A sharp decrease in slayings and other homicide deaths in Berrien county was seen in 1975. The rate was cut nearly in half. Benton Harbor, which had 11 in 1974, recorded only one in 1975.

A well-known store owner, John Govatos, was killed in a robbery slaying at his Oasis Party store, Hagar township, in January. Two men were arrested in the death and both were sentenced to prison. A Benton Harbor woman, shotgunned to death and found in a ditch, led police to charge an alleged life insurance-murder plot. It also involved the murders of a woman and her son in 1974. Two men have been imprisoned and another is waiting trial.

Two men met their deaths from police bullets in 1975. A Benton

Harbor man was killed by a Berrien sheriff's officer during a police chase on foot in July. In December a Niles man was shot and killed by a Benton township policeman as he fled the scene of an alleged rooftop burglary attempt at Fairplain Plaza. Both deaths were ruled justifiable homicide by the Berrien prosecutor.

An increase in slayings and violent deaths was seen in 1975 in two of three other southwestern Michigan counties. Allegan county had none in 1974 but three were recorded in 1975 including a Saugatuck couple found shot to death in their home.

Van Buren county went from one violent death in 1974 to six this past year. The wife of a South Haven councilman was shot and killed during a holdup at the couple's small grocery store in December. Mrs. Arretta Lou Ingham was killed by a single bullet. Two men were facing court on murder charges.

Cass county went from three slayings in 1974 to one in 1975. Drowning accounted for 9 deaths in Berrien county, 5 in Van Buren, and 2 each in Cass and Allegan.

Fires claimed 6 lives in Berrien county, and the same number died in Van Buren fires. Allegan county had 3 fire deaths and Cass county had none.

Economic Slump Believed Ending

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to sharply increased sales in the third and fourth quarters.

Du-Wel has plants in Dowagiac, South Haven and Hartford as well as in Bangor. Du-Wel is a die casting and decorative finishing firm.

The first half of the 1975 was quite slow for Premier Tool & Die Cast Corp., Berrien Springs, with production at 60 per cent of 1974, according to Company President Kenneth Nitz.

Nitz added that during the last three months a business increase brought all of their people back to work and a good backlog of orders to start 1976. Present employment is 130.

Principle products manufactured by Premier are aluminum and zinc high pressure die castings.

Shepherd Products U.S., Inc., reported in spite of the recession at the start of the year, the company went ahead with counter-measures resulting in a total sales figure for its June 1975 fiscal year-end only slightly below that of the year before.

Shepherd manufactures furniture casters, leg tips, caster cups and other furniture accessories. Company officials reported they were forced to make a partial layoff, the first

in their 18-year history, but were able to recall all workers before the end of May.

Walter Zielke, president of Pemco Die Casting Corp., Bridgman, reported they too were forced to lay off approximately 20 per cent of employees during the first half of 1975 because of the general economic conditions but all have been recalled and additional people have been hired.

Zielke reported the addition of a 1,200-ton die casting machine, several "Unimate" industrial robots and a new computer helped considerably during the year.

Dynac Corp., St. Joseph, which specializes in aluminum and zinc die castings, reported it is presently recovering from slumps in 1974 and early 1975 and the business outlook for 1976 is eyed cautiously optimistic.

Dynac reported employment is up about 25 per cent over the same period last year, but has not reached the peak levels that it realized in 1973 and early 1974.

According to Dynac officials, the company experienced modest growth during the year due to new products in the auto speed control market and the energy conserving industries.



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Construction Machinery Division
Benton Harbor, Michigan

Despite Effects Of Recession Many Area Firms Expand

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said the expansion and modernization program included the installation of better lighting, heat and dust-collection systems and material handling systems.

Kish said when the program is completed Superior Steel's melt capacity will have been increased by about two tons per hour and its conventional foundry mold-making capacity by about 3,000 tons of castings per year.

Superior Steel reported employment of production employees throughout 1975 remained relatively stable. Any layoff of personnel was small in number and short in duration.

Nominal increases in sales were reported for the first of the year with some sales decrease in the second half of the year.

V-M Corp. reported active employment of about 200 people at mid-December, down substantially from earlier years. This level was reported to have been fairly steady for the past six months, but earlier in the year it had been much slower.

Victor Miller, president and general manager of V-M, said the prime limitation in 1975 was financial, as it has been for the past several years. He said the need is for money to accelerate payment to suppliers, so that they will in turn accelerate the flow of needed materials.

Sales levels declined during 1975 for Ball Rubber division as the effects of the slow down in the economy were felt by their customers. Ball customers include large auto, appliance and construction products manufacturers. Ball markets custom molded, extruded rubber and plastic parts as well as gas welding hose.

The past year marked the end of production activities at the Edgewater molding operation due to reduced sales levels as well as old and inefficient facilities. Much of the production equipment was moved to the Chardon, Ohio, facility where space was available. Some equipment was moved to the Hilltop road plant in St. Joseph.

Sales prospects for 1976 look considerably better than 1975, according to Ball officials. Some automotive production

schedules for the first quarter of 1976 are up 50 per cent over the first quarter of 1975.

Appliance manufacturers have also shown some upward movement in their schedules. According to Ball, new manufacturing equipment installed during 1975 will help to hold costs down and offer products at competitive prices.

Present employment at Ball stands at approximately 170 people.

"After an almost unreal 1974 where we saw sales and profits increase by 32 per cent and 41 per cent over 1973, we experienced the full dose of a low total economy in 1975," Warren Gast, president and general manager of Gast

Manufacturing Corp., said.

Gast noted that profits were down this year 43 per cent compared to 1974 and 20 per cent below 1973.

Gast said, "Of the 328 employees on the payroll in Benton Harbor, 30 are still on layoff from about the first of April. Overtime was practically nonexistent during most of 1975."

Gast predicted that, "Since our business is dependent on the total economy (as opposed to a segment or market), and there are positive signs of the economy rebounding, we're looking for sales to increase 15 per cent over 1975. The first quarter will be pretty much more of the same with our activity picking up in the second quarter."

A new Gast plant in Bridgman to house the reciprocating products division is expected to open the third week in January.

Edward T. Donahue, vice president and general manager of the construction machinery division of Clark Equipment, said 1975 in the main was a good year for his division, but it did not turn out as well as had been originally forecast in late 1974.

Donahue noted many changes that took place in the market were brought about primarily by the unanticipated depths of the economic downturn. The drop in housing construction across the U.S. affected the construction machinery line.

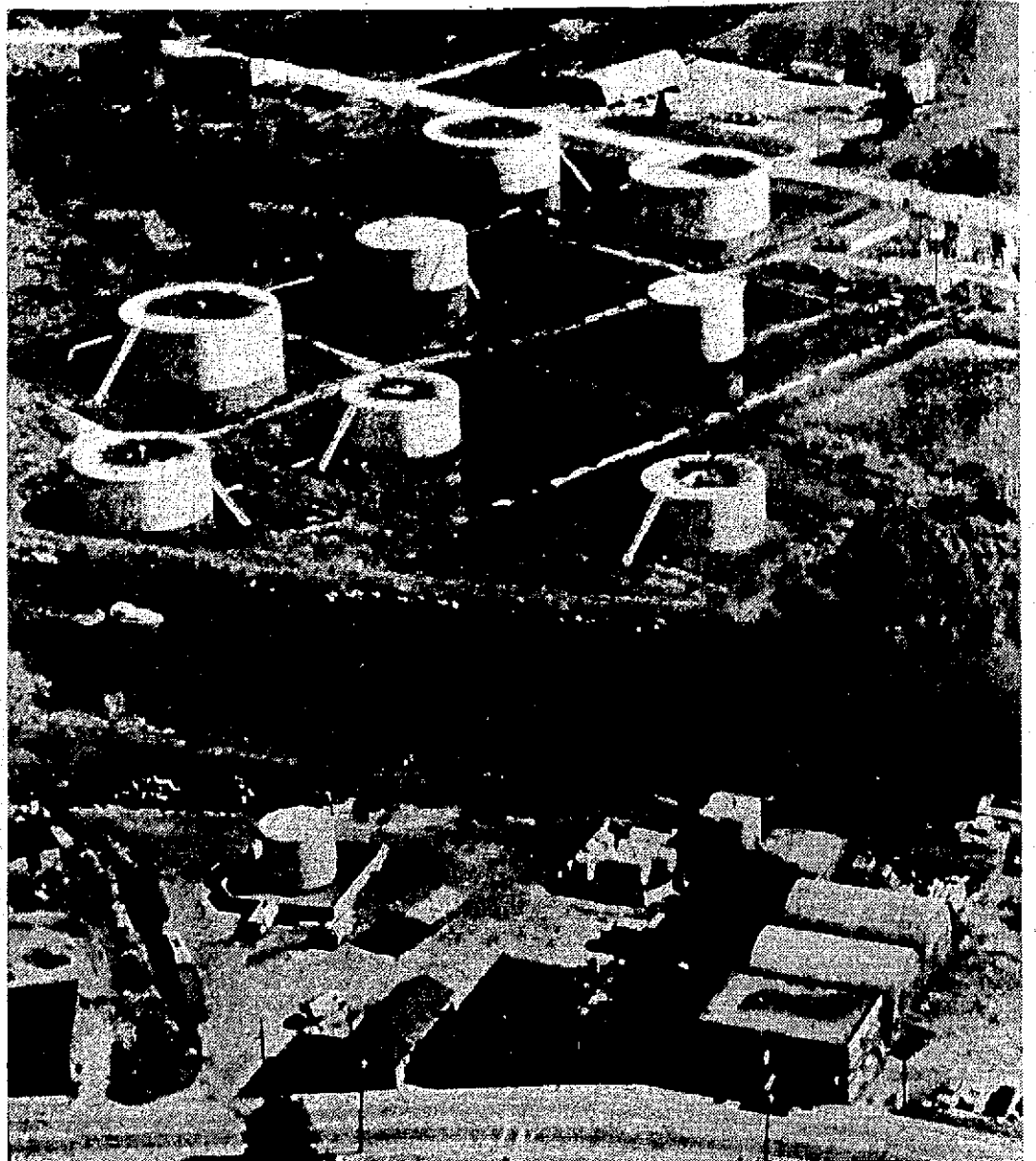
Particularly affected were the smaller model tractor shovels, logging machinery and rubber-tired scrapers.

Donahue said to a major degree a relatively strong mining market offset some of the downturn seen in the construction business.

Capital investment programs at the Benton Harbor plant were on schedule throughout the year. The major addition was the new engineering laboratory building adjacent to I-94 which opened in early 1975.

Clark's officials reported in December that 300 factory workers will be laid off for about a month starting Jan. 5. The layoffs were attributed to "general economic conditions" and sufficient inventory to cover orders.

Among a sampling of the area's smaller industries things



NEW OWNERS FOR TANK FARM: Enterprise Oil and Gas Co., Detroit, announced purchase of petroleum terminal from Cities Service Oil Co., last Aug. 8. The tank farm on Radio island, formerly Industrial Island, is in St. Joseph between Morrison channel (across lower center of photo) and St. Joseph river. First two tanks were constructed in 1933 and

additional tanks added later. Terminal now has capacity of 14 million gallons and covers eight acres. Enterprise spokesman said terminal is being used to store fuel oil. Oil arrived by barge from Chicago. In foreground of aerial photograph by Adolph Hann is former Theisen-Clemens offices, now headquarters for Pri Mar Petroleum Inc.

NEW CONCRETE PLANT: Ireland and Lester Co., 220 North Wayne street, St. Joseph, expects to put this 45-foot high, \$150,000 transit mix concrete plant into operation this spring. Completely automated, it will fill mixer trucks with precise amounts of aggregate, cement and water. Ireland and Lester is providing much of the concrete for new Twin City bridges under construction immediately adjacent to the plant. Richard Eastman, general manager, said firm received 10 per cent more limestone, agricultural lime, slag and salt this year than it did in 1974. (Staff photo)

were not much different with most companies facing the same problems as the major industries.

L.H. Fish, president of the F.P. Roshack Co., Benton Harbor, reported that 1975 was a good year equal to that of 1974. Roshack Co. makes printing and bookbinding machinery for the graphic arts industry.

Fish attributed the good year to the fact many printers re-evaluated their production flow and found the need to upgrade their bindery departments. Fish believes this evaluation process will continue during 1976 and he sees a new market opening in the private or in-house printing fields.

David J. Walton, president of

Du-Wel Metal Products, Inc., with main offices in Bangor, reported the first half of 1975 was a bad one, but recovery during the last two quarters allowed 1975 to be termed a "modest" year.

Walton said, "During the first half of 1975 our employment dropped from a high attained in early 1974 of 750 to a low of 430."

Our manufacturing activity dropped by 40 per cent, due to a general sales drop among our customers...."

Walton said a strong cost reduction program, capital investments to reduce costs through automation and a strong economic recovery among the customer group lead

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1975 Marked A Great Step Forward In Better Health Facilities For S. W. Michigan

Pawating Hospital Niles

New facilities and additions include: 8 patient intensive/coronary care unit and additional patient beds. New surgery rooms, records, supplies, storage and expanded kitchen and dining facilities. Expected completion date - mid '76.

Memorial Hospital St. Joseph

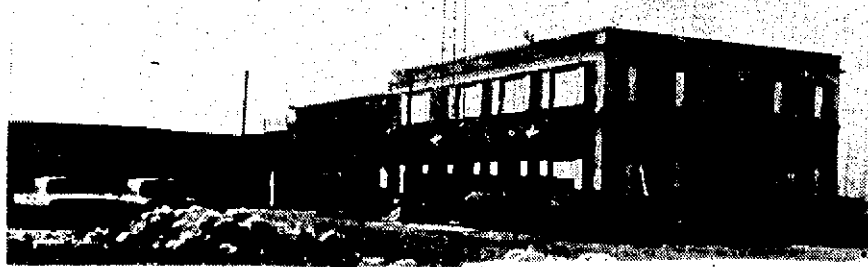
Complete updating of the heating, ventilating and electrical systems, including construction of an addition and installation of the new boilers and air conditioning system. Remodeling and air conditioning in the kitchen area, new emergency electric generator plus numerous other improvements.

Berrien General Berrien Springs

New obstetrical and surgical wing. The 10 bed obstetrics department also includes 2 labor rooms - 2 delivery rooms - 3 nurseries and a fathers lounge.

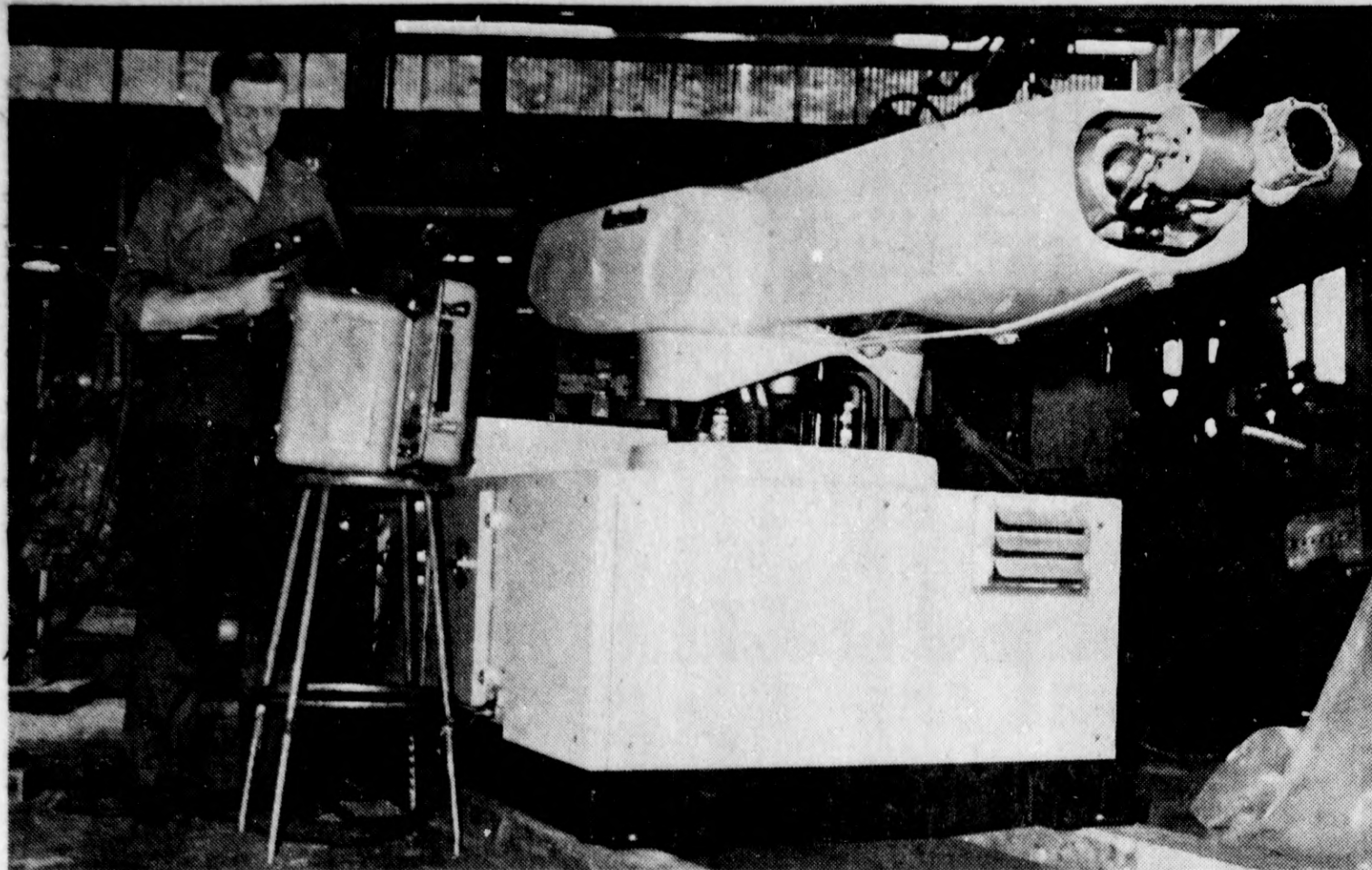
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PEMCO'S ROBOTS: Pemco Die Casting Corp., Bridgman, has installed five of these automatic units, which handle castings from die casting machines, in the past year. Harry Averill, Bridgman, assistant vice

president, who handles electronic functions for Pemco, checks controls of a new unit. It can be programmed to perform amazing series of 128 different steps in a single cycle. (Staff photo)

Allegan County In '75 Sparks Fly Over Finances

ALLEGAN — Allegan county's board of commissioners and several county departments clashed over financing in 1975, providing one of the county's top stories for the year.

At the center of the dispute was John Vogelzang, chairman of the county board's six-member finance committee.

Vogelzang, a Holland hardware store operator, has been named as the primary force behind committee actions which produced layoffs in the sheriff's department, the firing of four employees in the department of social services, and the still unresolved conflict with public health nurses over pay and job descriptions.

Vogelzang was the only member of the board visited in December by deputies during seven days of picketing over an \$8,000 budget cut ordered by the committee. The cutback resulted in three deputies being laid off for seven weeks.

Three months earlier, Vogelzang was accused of ordering four department of social ser-

vices employees fired. The charge was made by Harold Leep, director of the social services department, but was denied by other finance committee members who said the committee merely turned down a request for additional funds.

The finance committee has also been blamed for the lack of progress in seven months of negotiations to resolve differences on wages and job descriptions for the county's six public health nurses.

Vogelzang could lose his powers in January when the board meets to appoint committees for 1976.

Members of the county commission who do not serve on the finance committee already have demanded better communication between Vogelzang's group and the rest of the board.

New rules requiring more complete reports from the finance committee will be sought at the board's reorganizational meeting January 13.

Other major news stories in

1975 centered around veteran Sheriff Robert Whitcomb.

After 13 years in office, Whitcomb found himself the target of a recall campaign headed by former command officers in his own department.

But on Dec. 9, Garry DeGraff — earlier in the year selected by Whitcomb to head the county's new federally funded detective unit — announced that the recall petition drive had failed. He said petitions were about 2,000 signatures short of the 5,219 needed for a recall election.

Among the allegations made against Whitcomb by the recall committee was one that he had made purchases without county board approval.

He was criticized by county commissioners in August when it became known that he had purchased two power boats —

including a deepwater cruiser capable of sleeping six — for his marine division without bids or prior board approval. He came under fire later when he reportedly followed similar procedures in purchasing cars and electronic equipment for the detective unit which resulted in a temporary cut-off of federal funds.

Whitcomb, who underwent open heart surgery earlier this year won't be without problems in 1976, an election year.

Three men have already announced they will seek election as sheriff. They are Robert Schra of Overisel; Alfred "Pat" Carter of Casco; and Thomas R. Fleming of Trowbridge township.

At last eight others are known to be weighing their chances of winning in a wide-open Republican primary.

Slaying Of Dowagiac Nurse Shocked Residents Of Cass

County Board Reduces Tax Rate

CASSOPOLIS — The bludgeoning slaying of a Dowagiac nurse and the arrest of a rural Niles ex-convict in connection with the death led the list of top news stories in Cass county in 1975.

The nurse, Mrs. Lola Faye West, 32, was slain in a field about four miles northeast of Dowagiac. Her partially - clad body was found Aug. 31.

According to authorities, Mrs. West had been lured to the area through an ad for a private nurse.

Francis C. Cook, 36, rural Niles, was arrested on a charge of murder in connection with the slaying Sept. 2, by Cass sheriff's deputies. He is currently awaiting trial. Court records showed he had previously been declared by a court to be a criminal sexual psychopath with a history of alleged sex offenses dating back to his childhood.

In other top stories in the county last year, the Cass county board of commissioners, angered by run-away inflation that had bloated property tax values in the county, made good a pledge to hold the amount of taxes it would collect in 1976 to near this year's level.

At its Sept. 9 meeting, the board voted to reduce the county's tax levy from 5.75 mills to five mills. The five-mill

levy was estimated to produce \$1,238,938, or about \$17,000 more than the 5.75-mill levy produced this year. This results from the increased valuation.

The board also saw one major building project near completion this year, and made preliminary steps to launch another one.

Work on renovation of the county courthouse is expected to be completed by January or February, according to Johnnie Rodebush, county board chairman. Renovation was part of a \$1,266,273 project that included a new addition to the 80-year-old structure.

The board expects to open bids for the county's new \$2.5 million medical care facility in January. Rodebush said some preliminary work at the Hospital road site near Cassopolis is already underway.

In March, the county board appointed Mrs. Sharon Fricke, 31, rural Cassopolis, as county treasurer. She fills a vacancy created by the death of Mrs. Helen Burch, who held the post since 1969.

Cass county grain and hog farmers experienced a complete turn around from a very tough 1974, and had a "very good" year in 1975, according to Wayne Hotham, county extension service director.

Hotham said good weather conditions allowed grain farmers to harvest the "best crop yields in at least eight years." He said swine farmers in Cass county, the largest hog producing county in the state, also had a "real good year" because of higher prices.

Dowagiac launched a \$3,599,000 sewage treatment plant project when it awarded bids for the work in November. Receipt of a \$2.9 million federal grant for the project and approval of a Farmers Home Administration low interest \$800,000 loan to finance bonds for the plan capped a drive started in 1968.

Also in the city, a \$1,684,344 federally funded housing project, including a senior citizens high-rise and a low income housing development, opened in the spring.

Lewis Cass Intermediate school board announced a second try for voter approval of a proposed vocational - technical center in a special election to be held March 15, 1976. Voters will be asked to approve a 1.9-mill property tax levy to construct and then operate a proposed \$2.2 million center.

The March vote follows an April, 1974, voter rejection of a \$1.1 million bond issue and a 3.3-mill levy to repay the bond debt and operate the center.

Cassopolis school district broke ground in April for a new \$5,990,000 high school to be located off Diamond Cove street near Cassopolis.

Southwestern Michigan college announced in May that its campus size was increased by 51 per cent with the 80-acre donation of land by the late Everett M. Clasp of Dowagiac.

Cassopolis police are continuing their investigation of a June 6 attempted robbery of the Diamond Lake branch of the First Federal Commercial Savings bank. The luckless holdup man, who fled empty-handed after a branch manager forgot her keys and could not open the bank, is still at large, police said.

Two fires within a month, one on Nov. 20, and the second on Dec. 13, caused an estimated \$167,000 damage to buildings and equipment at the Ausra Farm Equipment company, northwest of Dowagiac.

CAMPAIGN CONFUSED

MIAMI (AP) — The Dade County manager of President Ford's election campaign says the national operation is so confused "that I don't know who is running the show, who is giving the orders or making the plans."

Paper Ballot May Be Needed

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — An unusually high number of minority parties and candidates filing for office in the state's August primary could force a one-time return to paper ballots for most state voters, according to Bernard Apol, state election director. Regular voting machines would not be large enough to list all the parties if more than eight or nine parties filed, Apol said this week. Computerized punch card ballots used in some areas could handle up to a dozen parties, depending on the number of candidates, he added. Based on persons circulating petitions and the number of inquiries on how to get a new party on the ballot, Apol said there "could be more than nine parties on the ballot." Hopefuls have until June to gather the necessary signatures to get their parties on the ballot.



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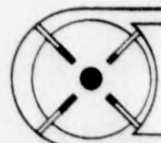
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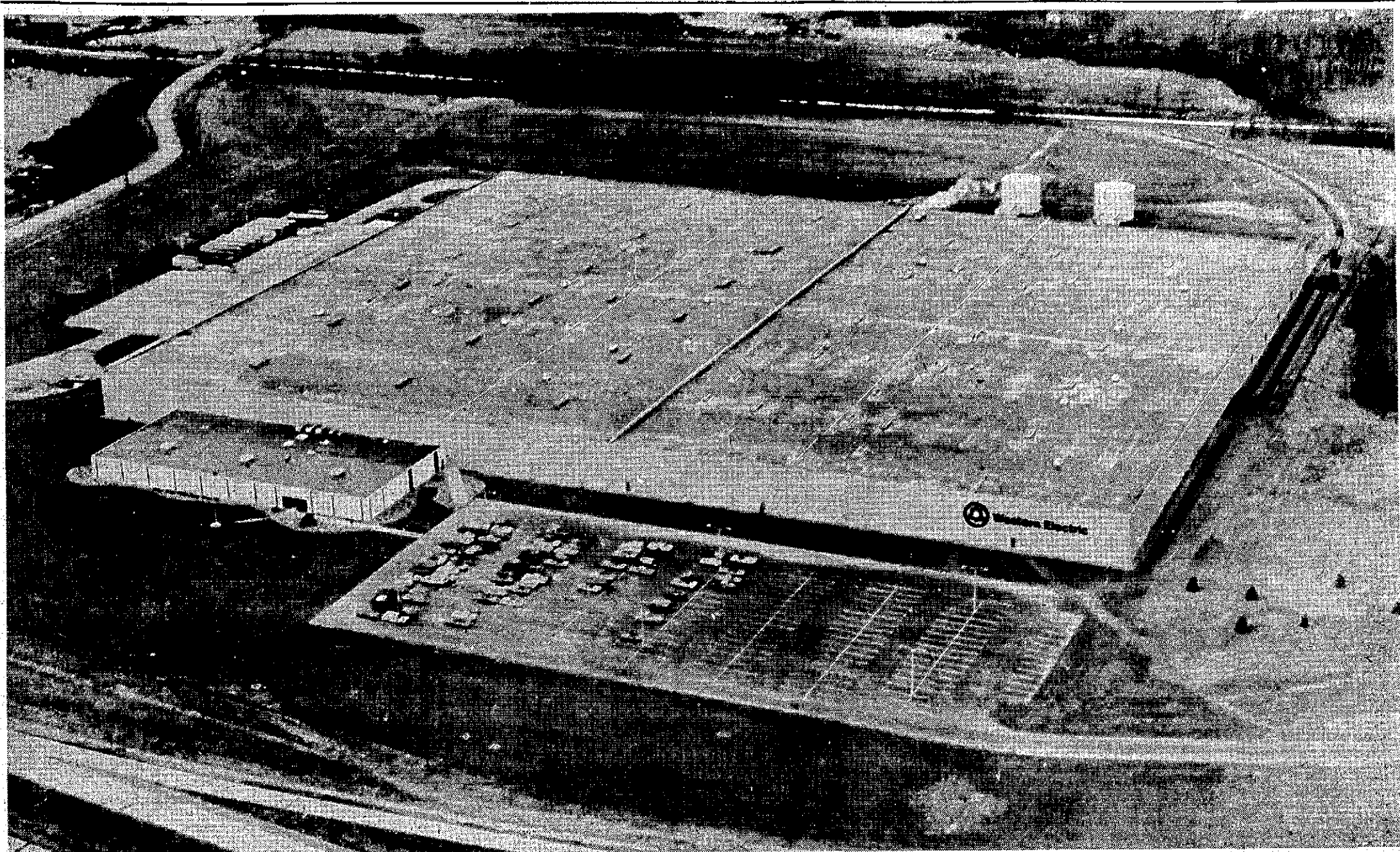
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IN USE AS '75 ENDS: Western Electric company's giant \$5 million material management center in Bertrand township near Niles was largely finished in 1975 and went into operation late in year, even though not all plant equipment will be installed until about next

May. Plant presently is phasing into full operation and is expected to hit full stride in August, 1976, according to Larry Mack, personnel department chief. Meanwhile, 43 Michigan-Indiana workers were hired

in November-December, another 15 will go on payroll first week of January, and employment by end of 1976 should total about 150, Mack said. By the end of 1975, some 2 million pounds of telecommunications equip-

ment arrived at plant, all intended for delivery to Bell telephone companies in Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin. Plant covers 14 acres. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)

LAWMEN BLAME 'COMBINATION OF FACTORS'

Traffic Fatalities Increase Nearly 40% In Berrien

Berrien county traffic fatalities jumped nearly 40 per cent in 1975 over 1974 and two county lawmen place the blame on not one but a combination of factors.

Among those factors, said Berrien Sheriff Forest "Nick" Jewell and Lt. Carl Hulander, commander of the Benton Harbor state police post, are an increase in drinking drivers, much more traffic, a disregard for the lower speed limit and a law enforcement workload that has cut down on traffic patrols.

Fifty-seven people died on county roads in 1975, up from 35 the year before.

Ironically, Berrien closed out 1975 with no fatal traffic accidents in the final 38 days of the year. Thus the beginning and end of the year were fatality-free. Berrien recorded no fatal accidents in either January or December.

Conversely, however, the neighboring counties of Van Buren, Cass and Allegan experienced about the same or fewer traffic deaths this year than in 1974.

The 57 highway deaths in Berrien made it the bloodiest year since 1972, when 63 people were killed in this county. The 35 who died on Berrien highways in 1974 were the fewest killed in the past nine years.

Hulander noted that Benton Harbor troopers arrested more drunk drivers in 1975 than in 1974 and "they always play a part in

fatal accidents."

Jewell said while traffic has increased, "law enforcement is loaded with other types of work and this has led to a reduction in time for preventative patrol." He added that in October and November the number of traffic summons declined — "we had no time to spend on the highways."

The 55 mile per hour speed limit, imposed during the 1974 energy crunch and felt to be a major factor in the low fatal total that year, was cited as a factor this year, but because of disregard for the speed limit.

Hulander pointed out, "The reason it (fatalities) was so low in 1974 was compliance with the lower speed limit. With the energy scare people complied voluntarily. People have gotten over the energy scare and disregarding it has brought (fatalities) back up."

An abundance of good weather in the summer and fall was also cited as a contributing factor in the rise in fatalities. Jewell said good weather makes it ideal to drive, while during bad weather drivers cut down on speed which leads to fewer fatalities and personal injury accidents. Statistics bear him out. The highest

death toll for a month was August, with 11 killed. October and November, both mild this fall, had the next highest number of fatalities in the county, seven and nine respectively.

In contrast to Berrien county, however, traffic fatalities in two of three other southwestern Michigan counties declined in 1975, in keeping with the state decline.

Allegan county dropped from 24 traffic deaths in 1974 to 21 in 1975. Cass county went from 27 to 22 and Van Buren went up from 16 in 1974 to 17 during 1975.

A sharp decrease in slayings and other homicide deaths in Berrien county was seen in 1975. The rate was cut nearly in half. Benton Harbor, which had 11 in 1974, recorded only one in 1975.

A well-known store owner, John Govatos, was killed in a robbery - slaying at his Oasis Party store, Hagar township, in January. Two men were arrested in the death and both were sentenced to prison. A Benton Harbor woman, shotgunned to death and found in a ditch, led police to charge an alleged life insurance-murder plot. It also involved the murders of a woman and her son in 1974. Two men have been imprisoned and another is waiting trial.

Two men met their deaths from police bullets in 1975. A Benton

Harbor man was killed by a Berrien sheriff's officer during a police chase on foot in July. In December a Niles man was shot and killed by a Benton township policeman as he fled the scene of an alleged rooftop burglary attempt at Fairplain Plaza. Both deaths were ruled justifiable homicide by the Berrien prosecutor.

An increase in slayings and violent deaths was seen in 1975 in two of three other southwestern Michigan counties. Allegan county had none in 1974 but three were recorded in 1975 including a Saugatuck couple found shot to death in their home.

Van Buren county went from one violent death in 1974 to six this past year. The wife of a South Haven councilman was shot and killed during a holdup at the couple's small grocery store in December. Mrs. Arretta Lou Inghram was killed by a single bullet. Two men were facing court on murder charges.

Cass county went from three slayings in 1974 to one in 1975. Drowning accounted for 9 deaths in Berrien county, 5 in Van Buren, and 2 each in Cass and Allegan.

Fires claimed 6 lives in Berrien county, and the same number died in Van Buren fires. Allegan county had 3 fire deaths and Cass county had none.

Economic Slump Believed Ending

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to sharply increased sales in the third and fourth quarters.

Du-Wel has plants in Dowagiac, South Haven and Hartford as well as in Bangor. Du-Wel is a die casting and decorative finishing firm.

The first half of the 1975 was quite slow for Premier Tool & Die Cast Corp., Berrien Springs, with production at 80 per cent of 1974, according to Company President Kenneth Nitz.

Nitz added that during the last three months a business increase brought all of their people back to work and a good backlog of orders to start 1976. Present employment is 130.

Principle products manufactured by Premier are aluminum and zinc high pressure die castings.

Shepherd Products U.S., Inc., reported in spite of the recession at the start of the year, the company went ahead with counter-measures resulting in a total sales figure for its June 1975 fiscal year-end only slightly below that of the year before.

Shepherd manufactures furniture casters, leg tips, caster cups and other furniture accessories. Company officials reported they were forced to make a partial layoff, the first

in their 18-year history, but were able to recall all workers before the end of May.

Walter Zielke, president of Pemco Die Casting Corp., Bridgman, reported they too were forced to lay off approximately 20 per cent of employees during the first half of 1975 because of the general economic conditions but all have been recalled and additional people have been hired.

Zielke reported the addition of a 1,200-ton die casting machine, several "Unimate" industrial robots and a new computer helped considerably during the year.

Dynac Corp., St. Joseph, which specializes in aluminum and zinc die castings, reported it is presently recovering from slumps in 1974 and early 1975 and the business outlook for 1976 is eyed cautiously optimistic.

Dynac reported employment is up about 25 per cent over the same period last year, but has not reached the peak levels that it realized in 1973 and early 1974.

According to Dynac officials, the company experienced modest growth during the year due to new products in the auto speed control market and the energy conserving industries.



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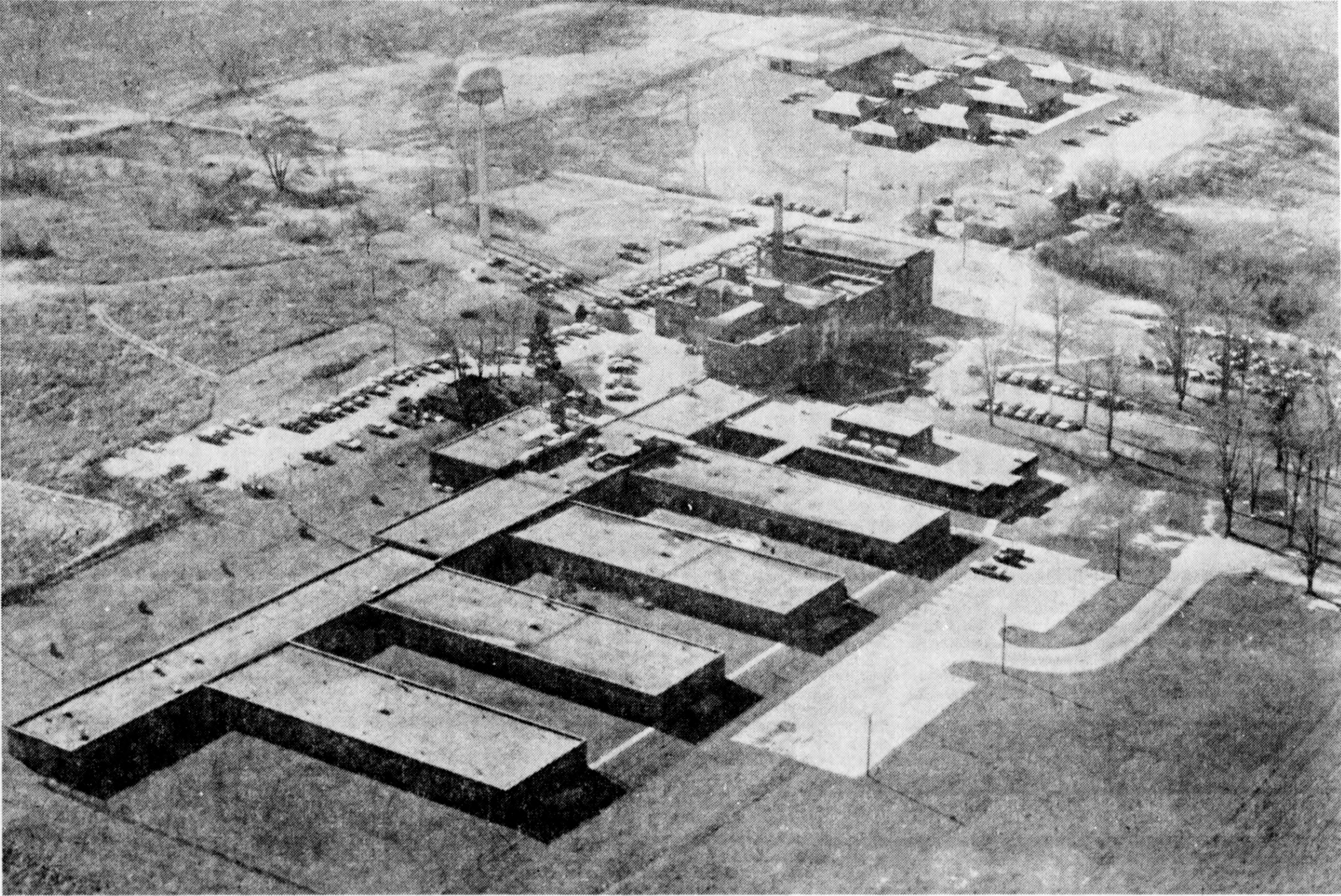
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NEW WING ADDED: Year-long construction on \$1.1 million surgical and obstetrical wing at Berrien General hospital, Berrien Center, was completed this spring. In Adolph Hann aerial photo, it's the wing nearest to the original hospital building, or the wing farthest from the viewer. The new wing covers 11,390 square feet. New facility was required in order to retain state license. In background, west of hospital, is county juvenile home.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's labor unions are looking for raises for 4.5 million workers in 1976, mindful of the fact that business hasn't been good and there aren't many jobs around.

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Most of the negotiations — affecting twice as many workers as in 1975 — take place between March and September in eight key industries — automobiles, trucking, rubber, electrical equipment, construction, food, apparel and farm equipment.

Strikes in two of these — autos and trucking — could cripple the economy, should they occur.

There is concern within the Ford administration that internal union pressures and competition between unions to outpace one another could ignite a new wage spiral and a return of runaway inflation.

Michael Moscow, director of the Council on Wage and Price Stability, says wages are an area that will have to be watched "very closely."

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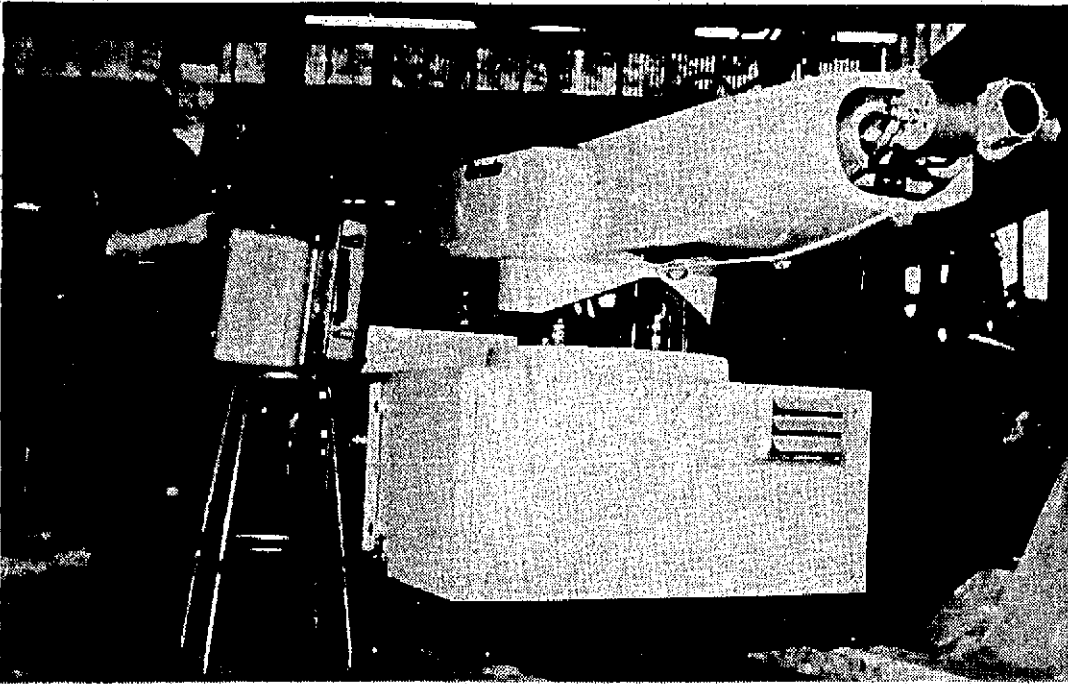


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PEMCO'S ROBOTS: Pemco Die Casting Corp., Bridgman, has installed five of these automatic units, which handle castings from die casting machines, in the past year. Harry Averill, Bridgman, assistant vice president, who handles electronic functions for Pemco, checks controls of a new unit. It can be programmed to perform amazing series of 128 different steps in a single cycle. (Staff photo)

Allegan County In '75 Sparks Fly Over Finances

ALLEGAN — Allegan county's board of commissioners and several county departments clashed over financing in 1975, providing one of the county's top stories for the year.

At the center of the dispute was John Vogelzang, chairman of the county board's six-member finance committee.

Vogelzang, a Holland hardware store operator, has been named as the primary force behind committee actions which produced layoffs in the sheriff's department, the firing of four employees in the department of social services, and the still unresolved conflict with public health nurses over pay and job descriptions.

Vogelzang was the only member of the board visited in December by deputies during seven days of picketing over an \$8,000 budget cut ordered by the committee. The cutback resulted in three deputies being laid off for seven weeks.

Three months earlier, Vogelzang was accused of ordering four department of social ser-

1975 centered around veteran Sheriff Robert Whitcomb. After 13 years in office, Whitcomb found himself the target of a recall campaign headed by former command officers in his own department.

But on Dec. 8, Garry DeGraff — earlier in the year selected by Whitcomb to head the county's new federally funded detective unit — announced that the recall petition drive had failed. He said petitions were about 2,000 signatures short of the 5,219 needed for a recall election.

Among the allegations made against Whitcomb by the recall committee was one that he had made purchases without county board approval.

He was criticized by county commissioners in August when it became known that he had purchased two power boats —

Slaying Of Dowagiac Nurse Shocked Residents Of Cass

County Board Reduces Tax Rate

CASSOPOLIS — The bludgeoning slaying of a Dowagiac nurse and the arrest of a rural Niles ex-convict in connection with the death led the list of top news stories in Cass county in 1975.

The nurse, Mrs. Lola Faye West, 32, was slain in a field about four miles northeast of Dowagiac. Her partially-clad body was found Aug. 31.

According to authorities, Mrs. West had been lured to the area through an ad for a private nurse.

Francis C. Cook, 36, rural Niles, was arrested on a charge of murder in connection with the slaying Sept. 2, by Cass sheriff's deputies. He is currently awaiting trial. Court records showed he had previously been declared by a court to be a criminal sexual psychopath with a history of alleged sex offenses dating back to his childhood.

In other top stories in the county last year, the Cass county board of commissioners, angered by run-away inflation that had bloated property tax values in the county, made good a pledge to hold the amount of taxes it would collect in 1976 to near this year's level.

At its Sept. 9 meeting, the board voted to reduce the county's tax levy from 5.75 mills to five mills. The five-mill

levy was estimated to produce \$1,238,938, or about \$17,000 more than the 5.75-mill levy produced this year. This results from the increased valuation.

The board also saw one major building project near completion this year, and made preliminary steps to launch another one.

Work on renovation of the county courthouse is expected to be completed by January or February, according to John Rodebush, county board chairman. Renovation was part of a \$1,266,273 project that included a new addition to the 80-year-old structure.

The board expects to open bids for the county's new \$2.5 million medical care facility in January. Rodebush said some preliminary work at the Hospital road site near Cassopolis is already underway.

In March, the county board appointed Mrs. Sharon Fricke, 31, rural Cassopolis, as county treasurer. She fills a vacancy created by the death of Mrs. Helen Burch, who held the post since 1969.

Cass county grain and hog farmers experienced a complete turn around from a very tough 1974, and had a "very good" year in 1975, according to Wayne Hotham, county extension service director.

Hotham said good weather conditions allowed grain farmers to harvest the "best crop yields in at least eight years." He said swine farmers in Cass county, the largest hog producing county in the state, also had a "real good year" because of higher prices.

Dowagiac launched a \$3,599,000 sewage treatment plant project when it awarded bids for the work in November. Receipt of a \$2.9 million federal grant for the project and approval of a Farmers Home Administration low interest \$800,000 loan to finance bonds for the plant capped a drive started in 1968.

Also in the city, a \$1,894,344 federally funded housing project, including a senior citizens high-rise and a low income housing development, opened in the spring.

Lewis Cass Intermediate school board announced a second try for voter approval of a proposed vocational technical center in a special election to be held March 15, 1976. Voters will be asked to approve a 1.9-mill property tax levy to construct and then operate a proposed \$2.3 million center.

The March vote follows an April, 1974, voter rejection of a \$1.1 million bond issue and a 3.3-mill levy to repay the bond debt and operate the center.

Cassopolis school district broke ground in April for a new \$5,990,000 high school to be located off Diamond Cove street near Cassopolis.

Southwestern Michigan college announced in May that its campus size was increased by 51 per cent with the 80-acre donation of land by the late Everett M. Clasp of Dowagiac.

Cassopolis police are continuing their investigation of a June 6 attempted robbery of the Diamond Lake branch of the First Federal Commercial Savings bank. The luckless holdup man, who fled empty-handed after a branch manager forgot her keys and could not open the bank, is still at large, police said.

Two fires within a month, one on Nov. 20, and the second on Dec. 13, caused an estimated \$167,000 damage to buildings and equipment at the Ausra Farm Equipment company, northwest of Dowagiac.

CAMPAIGN CONFUSED
MIAMI (AP) — The Dade County manager of President Ford's election campaign says the national operation is so confused "that I don't know who is running the show, who is giving the orders or making the plans."

Paper Ballot May Be Needed

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — An unusually high number of minority parties and candidates filing for office in the state's August primary could force a one-time return to paper ballots for most state voters, according to Bernard Apol, state election director. Regular voting machines would not be large enough to hold all the parties if more than eight or nine parties filed, Apol said this week. Computerized punch card ballots used in some areas could handle up to a dozen parties, depending on the number of candidates, he added. Based on persons circulating petitions and the number of inquiries on how to get a new party on the ballot, Apol said there "could be more than nine parties on the ballot." Hopefuls have until June to gather the necessary signatures to get their parties on the ballot.



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Michigan Growers Begin Fighting Back During '75

A Michigan fruit grower who hires migrant workers doesn't have enough fingers to count the social and governmental agencies which, over the past decade, have gained the right to tell him what to do.

Until this year fruit growers mostly complained. What happened this year in Southwestern Michigan was important: growers quit thinking that the avalanche of agencies and regulations would be their lot forever.

Members of the Berrien and Van Buren county Farm Bureaus, in the summer of 1975, began collecting pledges to be used in legal battles. Leading the growers' enemy list were United Migrants for Opportunity, Inc. (UMOI), and Michigan Migrant Legal Assistance (MMLA), both migrant-advocacy agencies.

M.J. Buschlen, a state Farm

Bureau official instrumental in the formation of the Grower Protection Committees, said recently that growers all over the state are "waiting to see what, if anything, can be accomplished in Southwestern Michigan."

Berrien Farm Bureau President Al Prillwitz said growers in this county have pledged over \$18,000. Growers in Van Buren have pledged additional "thousands," according to Max Hood, president of that organization.

Buschlen, who is operations manager of the farm labor division of Farm Bureau Services, said some of the money was used to hire an attorney. The lawyer is studying the charters and internal rules of some agencies to "determine the legal authorization of their (agencies') activities."

The lawyer is finding out

whether all of the agency workers have the right to inspect so many different things, he said. After the study, the farm bureaus may take legal or legislative action to stop some of the inspections.

Before 1964 there were few regulations that affected employer-employee relations on farms, said Buschlen. But that year minimum wage laws included farms. Next came inspections of migrant housing; then workmen's compensation; etc.

Guillermo Martinez, area coordinator for UMOI, feels that farmers are mistaken when they view his organization as a "natural enemy."

Although workers from UMOI are frequent visitors to migrant camps, they focus on explaining the agency's programs to families who are interested, he said.

"We go to the camps to explain what we have — the chance to settle out and get a better job," he explained. While many farmers cooperate with UMOI, others hinder what he feels is UMOI's legitimate right to talk with migrants.

Martinez added: "They (farmers) say too much legislation hurts them. If they had done everything well in the first place, they wouldn't have the legislation."

Farmers, of course, disagree. They claim that the visits to the camps disrupt working schedules and constitute "harassment."

Other notable conditions for southwestern Michigan agriculture this year included good weather and heated bargaining for fruit prices under a new law.

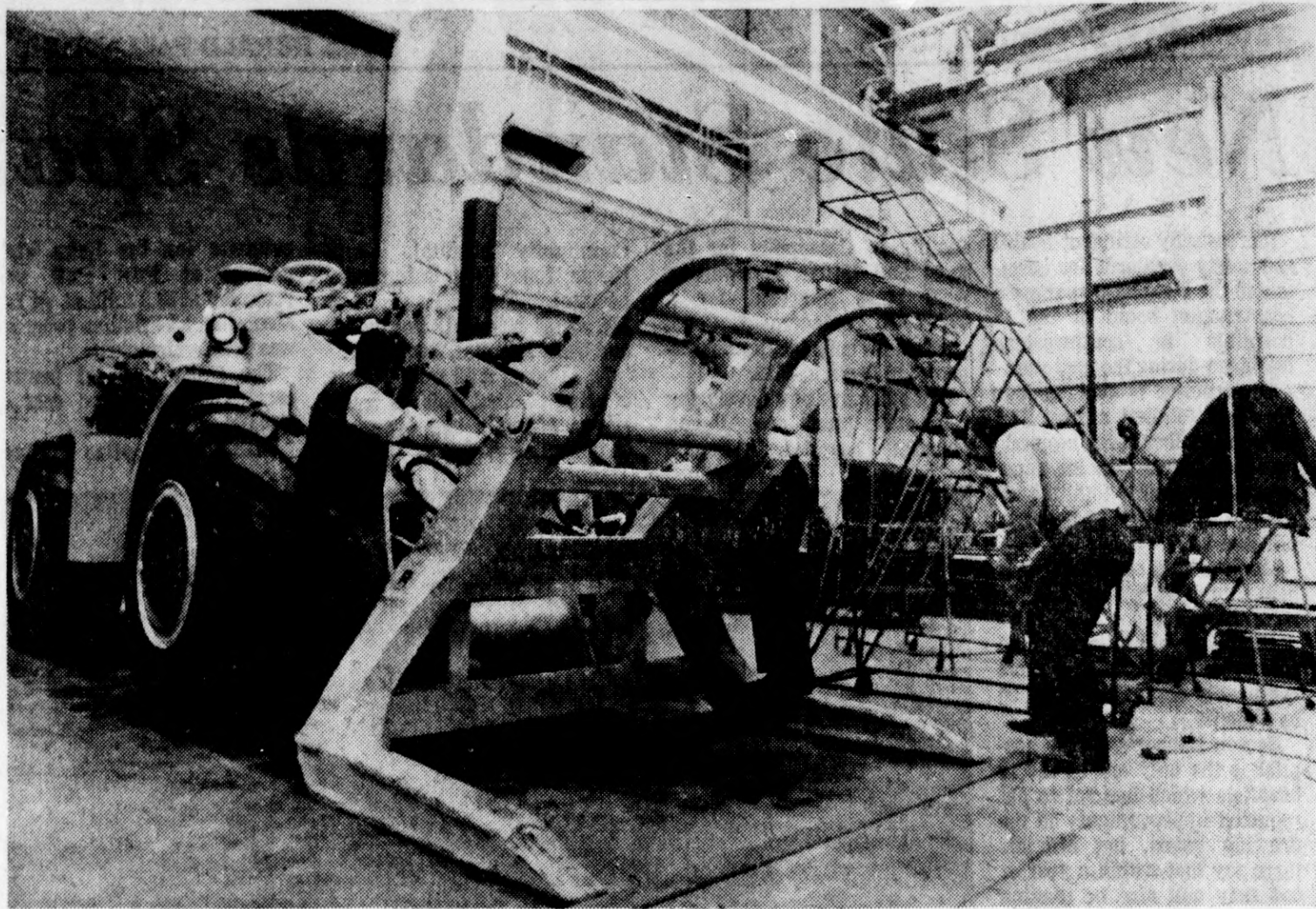
Weather this season was good, except for hail storms in the spring which struck fruitland in Benton and Bainbridge townships and a little later zeroed in heavily on blueberry plantations in Hagar, Coloma and Covert townships.

Clare Musgrove, Berrien extension director, said that in comparison to the drought of 1974 this season's weather was normal and harvest conditions were "excellent."

There was no frost damage in the spring and growers were spared the high costs of fighting frost. Fall frosts held off so long that at one location grapes weren't harvested until November.

Fruit prices were lower this year than in 1974, and even though harvests were larger, Musgrove said "growers are not going to realize as much money as in 1974."

Harry Foster, manager of the



CLARK ENGINEERING LAB: Workers plan innovations for heavy machinery inside engineering laboratory at Construction Machinery division of Clark

Equipment Co., Benton Harbor. Lab cost estimated \$1 million. (Staff photo)



Clergymen Going On Tour Of Jail

Twin City Clergy association members will be guests of Berrien Sheriff Forrest (Nick) Jewell for a jail tour and meal on Thursday, Jan. 15, according to the Rev. Robert F. Andrews, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal parish, St. Joseph, and association president.

Rev. Andrews said clergymen will pay for their own meals, from the inmates' regular menu. He added:

"The clergymen...will be afforded a firsthand opportunity to experience not only a typical meal served prisoners but also, of greater importance, gain valuable insight on how they may better minister to the spiritual needs of the prisoners."

Jewell said the program will begin at 10:30 a.m. and cost per meal will be about 50 cents. Jewell said about 20 clergymen are expected.

Jewell and Rev. Andrews said many clergymen have never been in the jail, except for the visitors' area where they meet inmates at scheduled times.

THROUGHOUT the Revolutionary War the Hudson River and its valley held a special attraction for the British. Not only was it a direct route to and from Canada and a base for military operations, but it served as a means of dividing New England from the other colonies, a prime objective of British military strategy. And at the mouth of the Hudson lay New York City, a large island containing farms for provisions and ample lands for troop encampments. It was also surrounded by navigable waters. The World Almanac notes.

Off-Road Vehicle Bill Signed

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A bill regulating off-road vehicles (ORVs) and allowing counties and cities to control their operation within their boundaries has been signed by Gov. William Milliken.

Milliken signed the bill Tuesday, calling it "one of several environmental priorities this year."

The measure requires the Department of Natural Resources to develop a management plan within 18 months for control of ORVs in state-owned areas and on forest roads and trails managed by the DNR.

It also prohibits ORV operation on privately owned land without permission of the owner or lessee. It makes the ORV operator liable for damage to trees, shrubs, crops or other living things on private land.

ORV owners are required by the law to register with the secretary of state after May 1, 1976. Fees are \$9 for a three-year licensing period, with revenues going to the state's general fund.

Operation of ORVs by children is limited by the law to those over 12, unless supervised by an adult.

The bill also creates an ORV safety education program within the DNR similar to the hunting safety program.

"The bill will help Michigan protect its valuable natural resources and, at the same time, establish procedures authorizing the use of ORVs in certain areas," Milliken said Tuesday.

James Trainor Funeral Friday

DETROIT (AP) — Services for James Trainor, who served as city editor for the old Detroit Times, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday.

Trainor, 76, died Monday after a 16-year career as city editor with the Times, which folded in 1960. He was well known for his generosity, his ability to remain calm under pressure and his fiery, cigar-chomping criticism.




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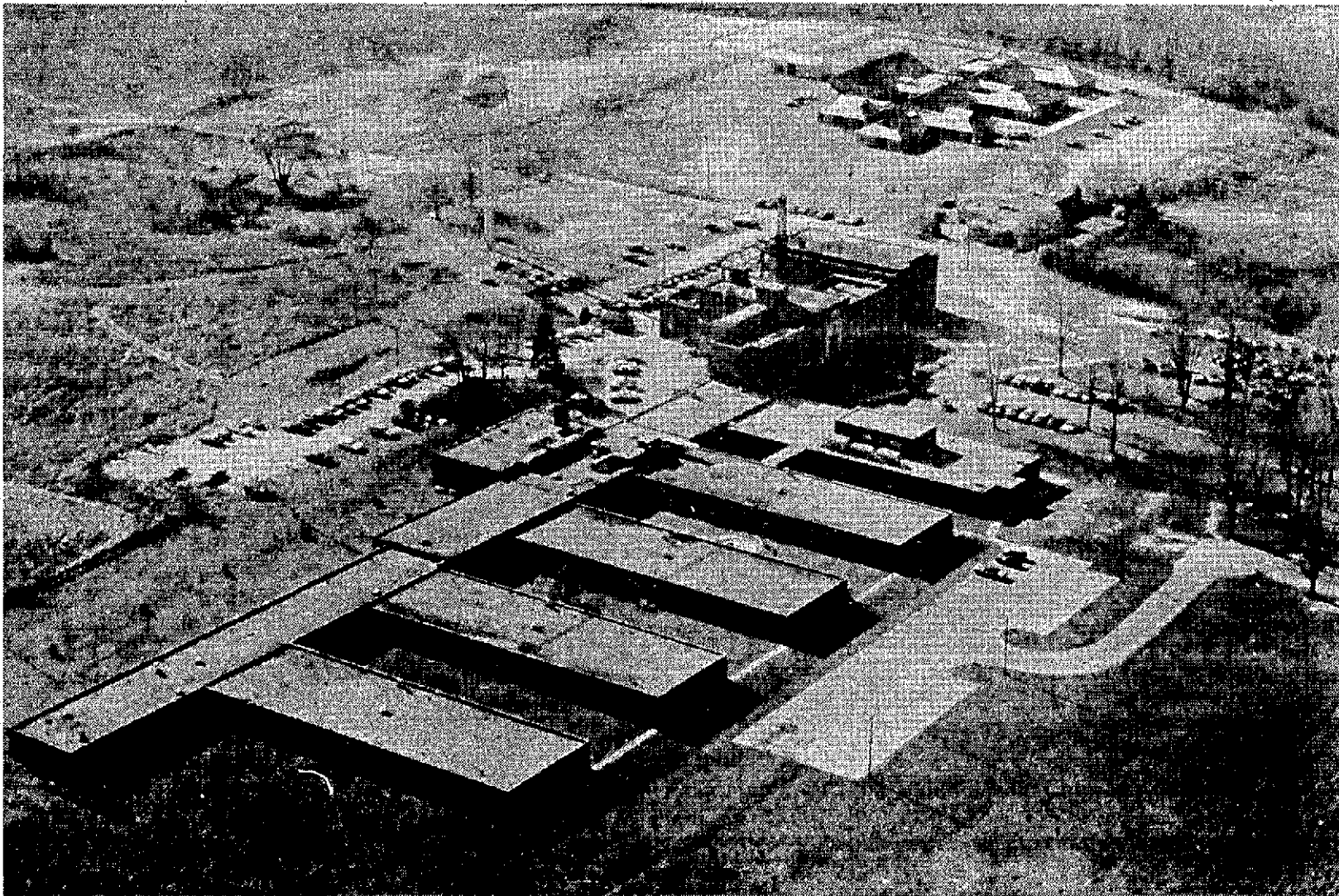
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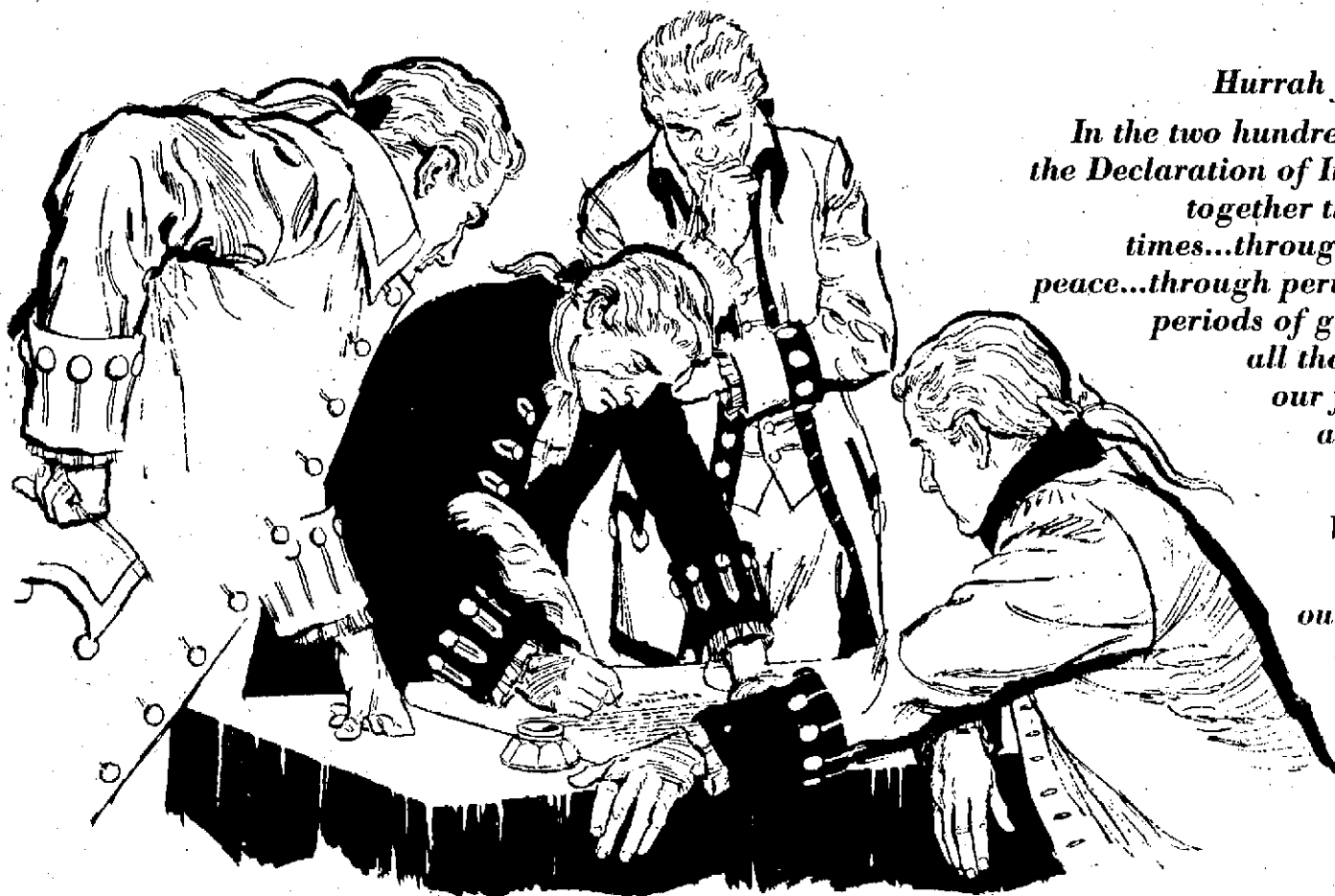


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The decade-old I-94 penetrator controversy was in constant turmoil all year until a highway department announcement in November that construction contract-letting had been postponed a year.

The new letting date for construction of a limited access highway from I-94 between Lincoln and Washington avenues to the south St. Joseph city limits is February, 1977. Until this postponement, the penetrator had been scheduled to be under contract by February, 1976.

Highway Director John P. Woodford said the postponement was due to the fact the department needed more time to complete the environmental impact study underway since last spring.

Enviro-Pact Division of USC, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., was retained by the highway department to study five alternatives for the I-94 penetrator. These included building the controversial penetrator along the old railroad right-of-way now owned by the highway department or modernizing existing roads including Red Arrow highway, Cleveland avenue or Niles road, or finally — not building a road at all.

The environmental impact study fostered development of a new organization, Concrete Opposition Unlimited, which filed petitions opposing the penetrator with St. Joseph and St. Joseph township.

A petition bearing 848 names asked the St. Joseph city commission to hold a special election so residents could voice their opinion on the penetrator. The petition to St. Joseph township contained 1,328 signatures and supported the township's opposition stand. The city has yet to act on the petition.

The sharpest controversy erupted when it was discovered the \$100,000 environmental study was just an exercise to meet requirements and the state was sticking to its original plan to build the highway on the

old railroad right-of-way.

The controversy fueled the opposition who were instrumental in getting the delay.

Periodically St. Joseph organizations would endorse the penetrator. First the St. Joseph Planning commission reaffirmed its long endorsement of the penetrator and later the St. Joseph Improvement associa-

tion added its endorsement.

Still pending is a study being conducted by the technical committee of the Twin Cities Area Transportation Study which is evaluating the River route. The River route is a segment of the penetrator which would run on the west bank of the St. Joseph river and serve as a link between the penetrator

portion that runs through St. Joseph township and the downtown business section of St. Joseph.

The technical committee may recommend no penetrator be built if the River route is unfeasible.



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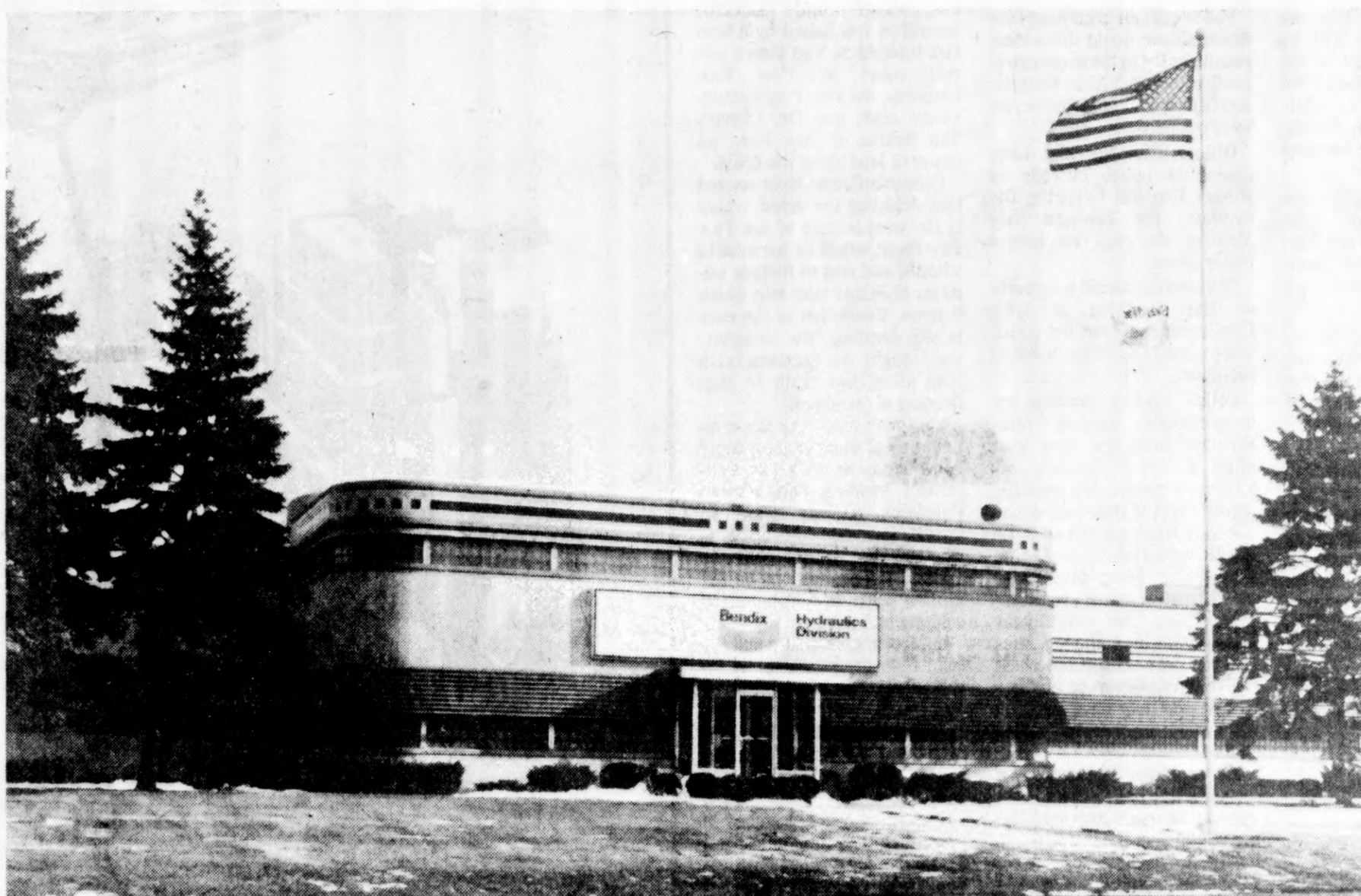
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Michigan Growers Begin Fighting Back During '75

A Michigan fruit grower who hires migrant workers doesn't have enough fingers to count the social and governmental agencies which, over the past decade, have gained the right to tell him what to do.

Until this year fruit growers mostly complained. What happened this year in Southwestern Michigan was important: growers quit thinking that the avalanche of agencies and regulations would be their lot forever.

Members of the Berrien and Van Buren county Farm Bureaus, in the summer of 1975, began collecting pledges to be used in legal battles. Leading the growers' enemy list were United Migrants for Opportunity, Inc. (UMOI), and Michigan Migrant Legal Assistance (MMLA), both migrant-advocacy agencies.

M.J. Buschlen, a state Farm Bureau official instrumental in the formation of the Grower Protection Committees, said recently that growers all over the state are "waiting to see what, if anything, can be accomplished in Southwestern Michigan."

Berrien Farm Bureau President Al Prillwitz said growers in this county have pledged over \$18,000. Growers in Van Buren have pledged additional "thousands," according to Max Hood, president of that organization.

Buschlen, who is operations manager of the farm labor division of Farm Bureau Services, said some of the money was used to hire an attorney. The lawyer is studying the charters and internal rules of some agencies to "determine the legal authorization of their (agencies') activities."

The lawyer is finding out whether all of the agency workers have the right to inspect so many different things, he said. After the study, the farm bureaus may take legal or legislative action to stop some of the inspections.

Before 1964 there were few regulations that affected employer-employee relations on farms, said Buschlen. But that year minimum wage laws included farms. Next came inspections of migrant housing; then workmen's compensation; etc.

Guillermo Martinez, area coordinator for UMOI, feels that farmers are mistaken when they view his organization as a "natural enemy."

Although workers from UMOI are frequent visitors to migrant camps, they focus on explaining the agency's programs to families who are interested, he said.

"We go to the camps to explain what we have — the chance to settle out and get a better job," he explained. While many farmers cooperate with UMOI, others hinder what he feels is UMOI's legitimate right to talk with migrants.

Martinez added: "They (farmers) say too much legislation hurts them. If they had done everything well in the first place, they wouldn't have the legislation."

Farmers, of course, disagree. They claim that the visits to the camps disrupt working schedules and constitute "harassment."

Other notable conditions for southwestern Michigan agriculture this year included good weather and heated bargaining for fruit prices under a new law.

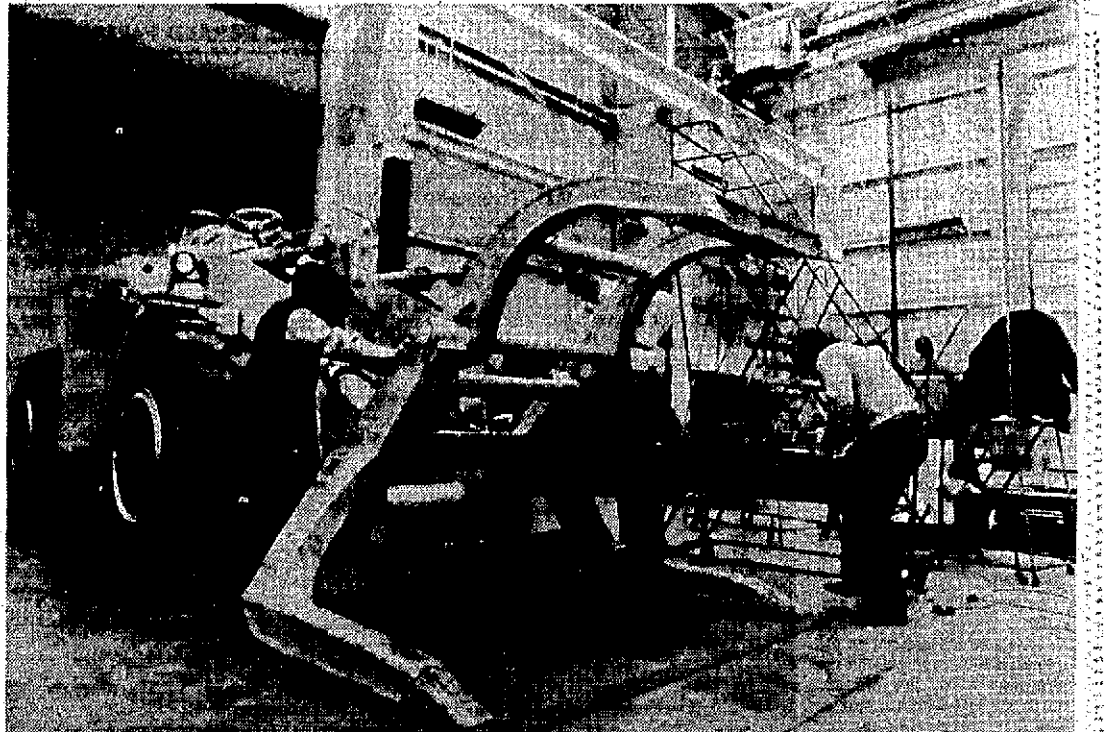
Weather this season was good, except for hail storms in the spring which struck fruitland in Berrien and Bainbridge townships and a little later zeroed in heavily on blueberry plantations in Hagar, Coloma and Covert townships.

Clare Musgrove, Berrien extension director, said that in comparison to the drought of 1974 this season's weather was normal and harvest conditions were "excellent."

There was no frost damage in the spring and growers were spared the high costs of fighting frost. Fall frosts held off so long that at one location grapes weren't harvested until November.

Fruit prices were lower this year than in 1974, and even though harvests were larger, Musgrove said "growers are not going to realize as much money as in 1974."

Harry Foster, manager of the



CLARK ENGINEERING LAB: Workers plan innovations for heavy machinery inside engineering laboratory at Construction Machinery division of Clark Equipment Co., Benton Harbor. Lab cost estimated \$1 million. (Staff photo)



Clergymen Going On Tour Of Jail

Twin City Clergy association members will be guests of Berrien Sheriff Forrest (Nick) Jewell for a jail tour and meal on Thursday, Jan. 15, according to the Rev. Robert F. Andrews, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal parish, St. Joseph, and association president.

Rev. Andrews said clergy members will pay for their own meals, from the inmates' regular menu. He added:

"The clergymen... will be afforded a firsthand opportunity to experience not only a typical meal served prisoners but also, of greater importance, gain valuable insight on how they may better minister to the spiritual needs of the prisoners."

Jewell said the program will begin at 10:30 a.m. and cost per meal will be about 50 cents. Jewell said about 20 clergymen are expected.

Jewell and Rev. Andrews said many clergymen have never been in the jail, except for the visitors' area where they meet inmates at scheduled times.

Michigan Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Association, said growers of asparagus, cherries, apples and grapes made no profit this year. Strawberry, peach, tomato and blueberry growers did well, he said.

Processors continued their opposition to the Michigan Agricultural Marketing and Bargaining Act by using a piece of bargaining leverage written into the law — the so-called "opt-out clause."

While the law forces processors and growers of accredited crops (asparagus, apples and cabbage) to settle price and quality disputes, it also allows either party to elect not to sell or buy any of the commodity.

The clause could be used by a processor who needs no raw produce in a year; or it could be used as a certain way to avoid binding arbitration.

Beginning in April with the potato negotiations, Ore-Ida Foods, Inc., the only major buyer of bargaining unit spuds, "opted out."

The firm hinted that the move was an attempt to dodge the law. "They (the potato growers) could vote to sell to us outside the act which, frankly, we hope they will do," said Ike Lynch, manager of Ore-Ida's Greenville plant.

Before a showdown was reached, the potato (and tart cherry) negotiations were temporarily stayed by the Michigan Court of Appeals. According to Foster, as a result of the move growers planted fewer potatoes. Ore-Ida, which has plants in other states, bought few Michigan potatoes.

The threat of opting out was used by asparagus and apple processors later in the season. During negotiations many of these packers opted out, but most later canceled the decision and bought produce.

The act expires next September, unless the Michigan legislature takes action.

KENNEDY PAL DIES
SOMERVILLE, Mass. (AP) — John F. "Mugsy" O'Leary, a former Washington policeman and a close friend and bodyguard of the late President John F. Kennedy, died Tuesday.

Off-Road Vehicle Bill Signed

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A bill regulating off-road vehicles (ORVs) and allowing counties and cities to control their operation within their boundaries has been signed by Gov. William Milliken.

Milliken signed the bill Tuesday, calling it "one of several environmental priorities this year."

The measure requires the Department of Natural Resources to develop a management plan within 18 months for control of ORVs in state-owned areas and on forest roads and trails managed by the DNR.

It also prohibits ORV operation on privately owned land without permission of the owner or lessee. It makes the ORV operator liable for damage to trees, shrubs, crops or other living things on private land.

ORV owners are required by the law to register with the secretary of state after May 1, 1976. Fees are \$9 for a three-year licensing period, with revenues going to the state's general fund.

Operation of ORVs by children is limited by the law to those over 12, unless supervised by an adult.

The bill also creates an ORV safety education program within the DNR similar to the hunting safety program.

"The bill will help Michigan protect its valuable natural resources and, at the same time, establish procedures authorizing the use of ORVs in certain areas," Milliken said Tuesday.



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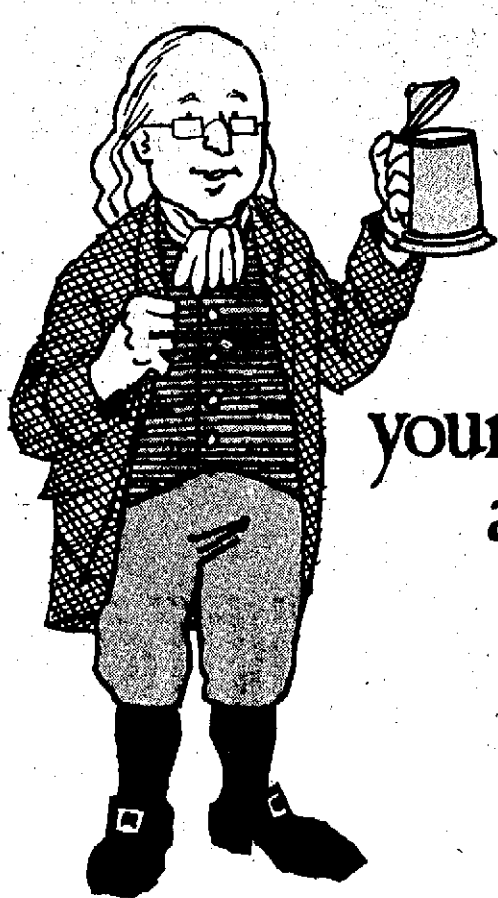
Factory showroom & plant located at Hilltop Road in St. Joseph, Michigan

James Trainor Funeral Friday

DETROIT (AP) — Services for James Trainor, who served as city editor for the old Detroit Times, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday.

Trainor, 76, died Monday after a 16-year career as city editor with the Times, which folded in 1960. He was well known for his generosity, his ability to remain calm under pressure and his fiery, cigar-chomping criticism.


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April Cloudburst Wreaked Heavy Loss On Van Buren

Top Newsmaker Of The Year

A severe rain storm in April which caused millions of dollars in damage to crops, homes, roads, and drains was among the top news stories in Van Buren county during 1975.

Officials placed damage to roads, drains, culverts and homes at \$1 million, and to crops at \$18.7 million, affecting some 1,500 farmers and 25,000 acres. During one three-hour period April 18, some 4.5 inches of rain were dumped on the county.

Federal disaster aid totaling \$179,832, was eventually granted to the cities of Bangor and South Haven, Covert township, and the county road and drain commissions.

Early this month, the county received another type of major shock when Mrs. Arretta Lou

Ingraham, 46, wife of a South Haven city councilman, was slain during a holdup of the Ingraham's grocery store in South Haven. Wilbur Ingraham, the victim's husband, witnessed the slaying.

Two men, Ronnie L. Wilson, 27, Gary, Ind., and Edwin Lamar Langston, 23, South Haven, were charged with first degree murder in the slaying.

Also during the year, preliminary steps were taken to what could be the first state audit of the financial records and decisions of a school district in Van Buren county as well as southwestern Michigan.

Representatives of the state education department conducted a preliminary review of the Bangor school district records and were to recommend

whether the full audit should be undertaken. The audit was sought in the aftermath of a citizens study of school district needs. A recall drive involving five school board members has also been launched and a vote scheduled for Feb. 2.

The five are Donald Piper, Richard Kroegel, Forest Gough, Dr. Joseph Cooper and Fred Waite.

A 20-day search for a 13-year-old Kalamazoo boy who disappeared in Van Buren State park on July 4, while on a camping trip with his grandparents was also among the year's top stories.

The body of George Fuhrman was found on July 24 atop a sand dune. Police said he had apparently been buried by a sand slide.

A Wayne State university student, who claimed to be psychic, was originally given credit for the discovery, but it was later learned he had been with two boys who actually found the site.

Elections, several of them controversial, were also very much in the news in 1975.

On July 29, South Haven township voters recalled Supervisor Clifford Klapp and Trustee Donald Getman because of their support of a proposed controversial zoning ordinance. Voters on Sept. 2 elected James Schnake as supervisor and Mrs. Emilia (Millie) Miller as trustee.

On Aug. 4 Covert school voters approved a 16-mill property tax renewal by a margin that was originally announced at over 100 votes. However, 176 absentee ballots were challenged but not counted election night.

The school board charged that there had been abuses of the absentee ballots, indicating some township officials were involved. In turn, Covert township Supervisor Jerry Sarno said that the election had been improperly handled.

In a recount, the millage won by only six votes.

On June 9, Van Buren intermediate school district voters rejected two special education funding proposals. One was a \$1,010,000 bond issue to build and equip a school for the handicapped; the other a 1.5 mill property tax levy which would have generated about \$425,000 to hire some 60 special education staff people.

A new election on essentially the same two proposals is scheduled for Feb. 28.

The controversies weren't limited to elections.

A plan to clean up a 2.5 mile section of the Gates drain, in Paw Paw and Decatur townships was halted by a lawsuit brought in Van Buren circuit court by Paw Paw township, the Paw Paw Conservation club, and Dr. Charles Ten Houten of Paw Paw, an owner of land along the drain.

Conservationists have argued that dredging the drain, which is the west branch of the Paw Paw river, would be harmful to wildlife and add to further siltation of Maple lake into which it flows. Resolution of the case is still pending. The cleaning was sought by farmers with land along the drain to stop flooding of farmland.

The year also saw the continuation of another long court battle begun in 1973 over Consumers Power's \$180 million Palisades nuclear plant in Covert township. At issue is whether the utility will be allowed tax exemptions on \$37 million worth of anti-pollution equipment.

In March, Consumers and the county governmental units involved reached a preliminary agreement, with the utility agreeing to pay \$106,000 in 1972 taxes, and the county stipulating to waive \$80,000 in 1973 taxes.

Consumers also announced in December that it would spend \$22 million for a water purification system to help prevent deterioration of steam generator tubes at the plant.

A three-month controversy in Hartford climaxed in January when the city council voted 4-3 not to renew the contract of Police Chief Harold Frye, Sr. Allegations of misconduct by Frye had been made earlier by a female police clerk, but were never made public. The council ruled that there was insufficient evidence to sustain the allegations, but still booted Frye out.

On March 7, the body of Sarah Towne, 27, Kalamazoo, was discovered in an open field south of Lawton. She had been stabbed repeatedly. Five persons were eventually arrested in connection with the crime, which police described as a torture slaying. Joe Cosby, 19, Marilyn Cook, 17, and her brother,

Jarius Cook, 15, all of Kalamazoo, all pleaded guilty to charges of manslaughter, and received varying sentences in state corrections facilities.

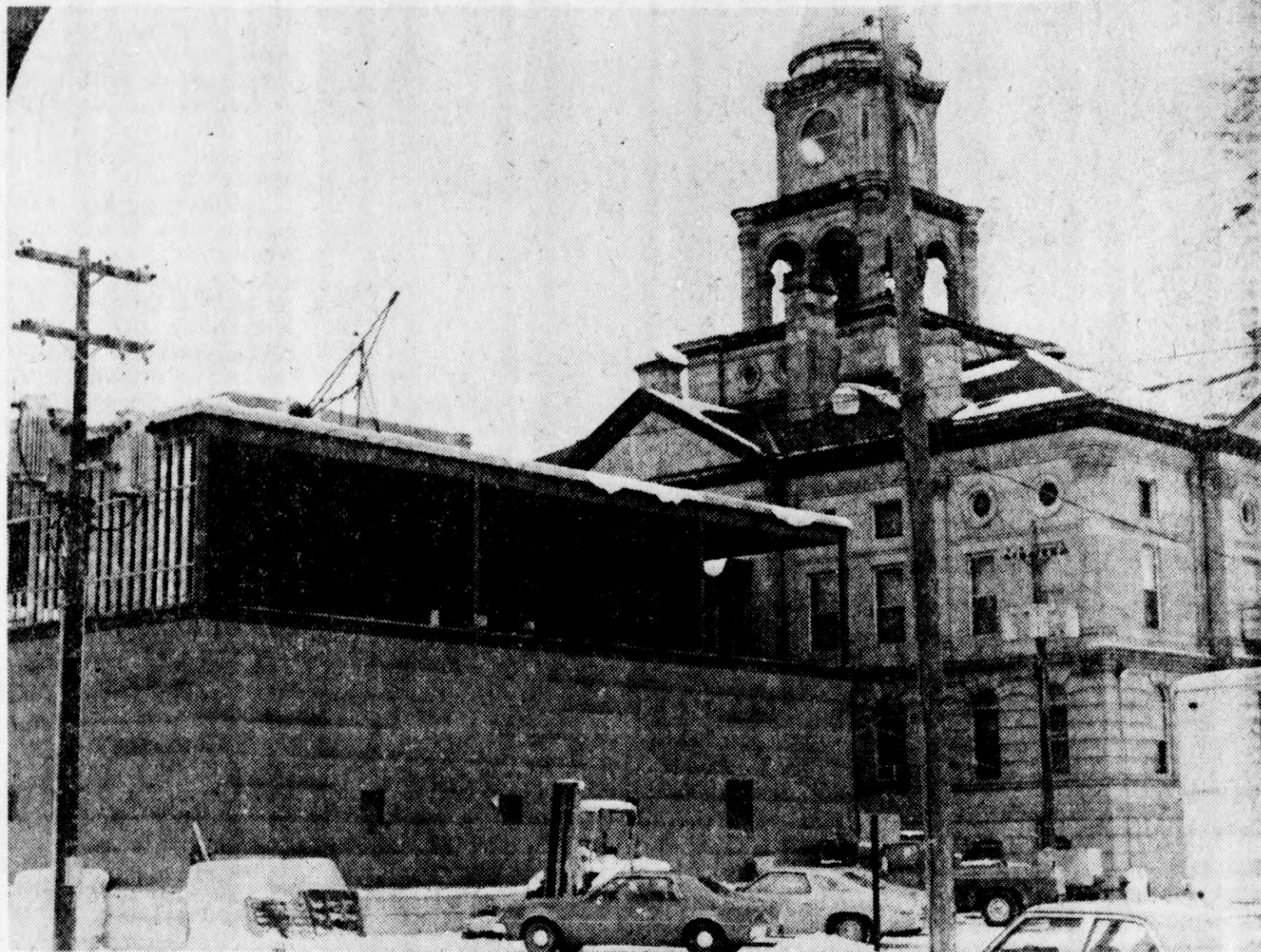
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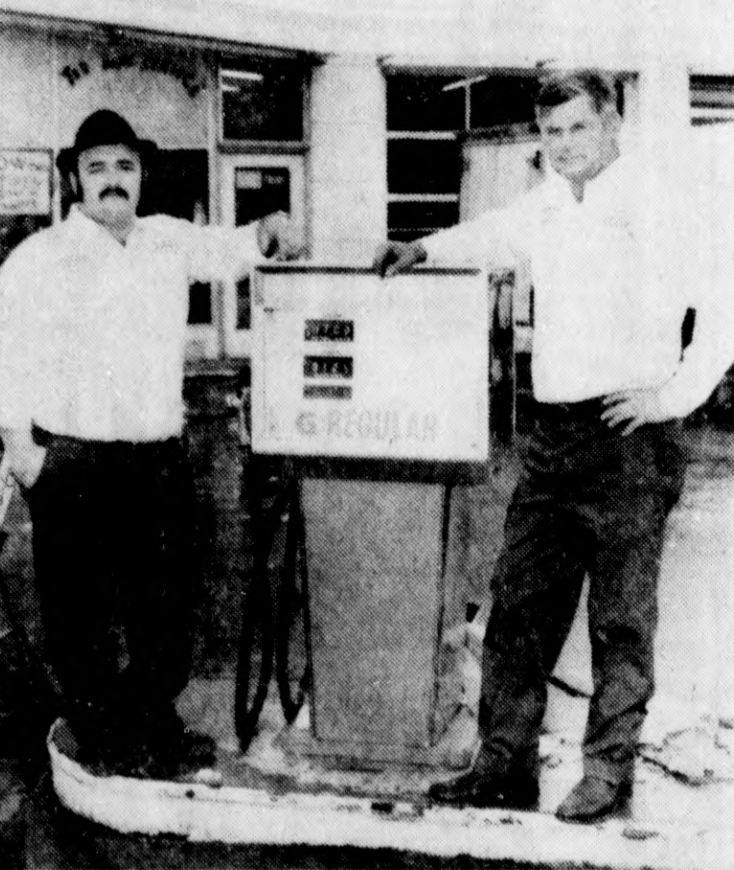
When a lack of funds threatened to virtually close down the Van Buren chapter of the Red Cross, a countywide fund drive was launched in March. Some \$20,000 was eventually raised, insuring operations for another year.

Another \$52,000 was raised in a similar drive which enabled a group of members and chaperones of the Van Buren Folk Dancers to make a 23-day tour of Poland last summer.

Two major construction projects were undertaken by the county during the year. Work on a \$580,929 addition to the county courthouse got underway in September, while a \$45,000 renovation of the old county health department building was completed in late November. It now houses the county agricultural extension service.



VAN BUREN COURTHOUSE ADDITION: Work on \$580,929 addition to Van Buren county courthouse in Paw Paw began in September, and is expected to be completed early next summer. General contractor for 18,000 square foot building is Paul Barton and Associates, Kalamazoo. (Staff photo)



NEW LOCATION: Hop Robbins and Ted Harding recently opened Ted & Hop's Service gas station at intersection of I-94 and Pipestone road in Benton township. Robbins and Harding previously operated service station at Red Arrow highway and Glenford road in Stevensville and prior to that, separately ran several stations in area. New location is leased from Jersey Oil Co. and sells "Pro" gasoline. (Staff photo)

Charges Delayed In Flint Shootout

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — No decision on charges will be made until next week in the shootout involving a black Flint policewoman and a white policeman, Genesee County Prosecutor Robert Leonard says.

Leonard said Tuesday his probe showed 14 shots were fired in the incident at the Flint Police Headquarters on Saturday. Both officers were wounded.

The prosecutor described the incident as a "very complicated factual case." He said the possibility of self-defense was being examined from the point of view of both officers.

Earlier Tuesday, about half the 35 Flint officers on the early shift threatened to walk off their jobs in protest of the lifting of the arrest of the policewoman, Madeline Fletcher, 20.

Police Chief Herbert Adams said the walkout was averted after he spoke with the officers.

Some white officers reportedly complained to him that the department's standards of height, weight, education and test scores have been downgraded to attract more blacks and women.

Police said an argument over which officer would drive their patrol car led to the exchange of gunfire in which Miss Fletcher and Officer Walter Kalberer, 34, were wounded.

Officer Fletcher had been placed in police custody at Hurley Hospital following the incident, but Leonard said Monday she was no longer under arrest.

The hospital issued no reports on the condition of Miss Fletcher or Kalberer, but police sources said both were in stable condition.

Police said a preliminary investigation showed Miss Fletcher fired the first shot after Kalberer forcibly attempted to remove her from the driver's seat of their patrol car.

Miss Fletcher finished a 12-month probationary period on Dec. 15 after being hired under an affirmative action program.

Kalberer, an eight-year veteran, was hit in the leg. Miss Fletcher was shot in the chest either by Kalberer or another officer who may have fired on her during the incident, police said.

Mayor James Rutherford, a former Flint police chief, said Tuesday he would help with the investigation of the incident.

Flint's Society of Afro-American Police Officers (SAAP) called for an agency outside Genesee County to head the probe. State Police and the attorney general's office were mentioned as possible investigators.

SAAP said black and white officers have noted some racial polarization in the Flint police force.

Meanwhile, Teamsters Local 214, bargaining agent for the Flint police, went to Genesee County Circuit Court to seek an injunction prohibiting police officials from turning over to the city's ombudsman all records in connection with the shootout.

Circuit Judge Henry McArar ruled the ombudsman was entitled to all records in the case but ordered that they not be shown to anyone except Leonard.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Gov. Hugh Carey's continuing feud with anticorruption prosecutor Maurice Nadjari has taken a new twist. Carey is now demanding another special prosecutor to investigate allegations that he tried to fire Nadjari for investigating Democrats close to the governor.

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Although the boundary commission's decision is expected in early 1976, that decision, whatever it may be, has already been clouded by a recent court of appeals ruling which held that certain boundary commission decisions are unconstitutional.

The decade-old I-94 penetrator controversy was in constant turmoil all year until a highway department announcement in November that construction contract-letting had been postponed a year.

The new letting date for construction of a limited access highway from I-94 between Lincoln and Washington avenues to the south St. Joseph city limits is February, 1977. Until this postponement, the penetrator had been scheduled to be under contract by February, 1976.

Highway Director John P. Woodford said the postponement was due to the fact the department needed more time to complete the environmental impact study underway since last spring.

Enviro-Pact Division of USC, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., was retained by the highway department to study five alternatives for the I-94 penetrator. These included building the controversial penetrator along the old railroad right-of-way now owned by the highway department or modernizing existing roads including Red Arrow highway, Cleveland avenue or Niles road, or finally — not building a road at all.

The environmental impact study fostered development of a new organization, Concrete Opposition Unlimited, which filed petitions opposing the penetrator with St. Joseph and St. Joseph township.

A petition bearing 848 names asked the St. Joseph city commission to hold a special election so residents could voice their opinion on the penetrator. The petition to St. Joseph township contained 1,328 signatures and supported the township's opposition stand. The city has yet to act on the petition.

The sharpest controversy erupted when it was discovered the \$100,000 environmental study was just an exercise to meet requirements and the state was sticking to its original plan to build the highway on the

NO CONSTRUCTION TILL '77 SJ Penetrator Stalled A Year

old railroad right-of-way.

The controversy fueled the opposition who were instrumental in getting the delay.

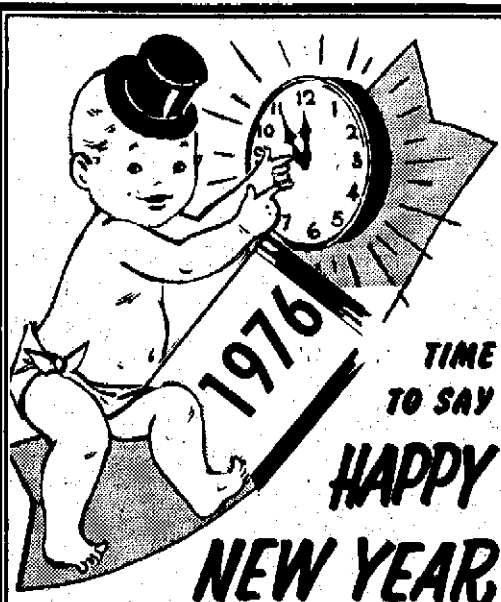
Periodically St. Joseph organizations would endorse the penetrator. First the St. Joseph Planning commission reaffirmed its long endorsement of the penetrator and later the St. Joseph Improvement associa-

tion added its endorsement.

Still pending is a study being conducted by the technical committee of the Twin Cities Area Transportation Study which is evaluating the River route. The River route is a segment of the penetrator which would run on the west bank of the St. Joseph river and serve as a link between the penetrator

portion that runs through St. Joseph township and the downtown business section of St. Joseph.

The technical committee may recommend no penetrator be built if the River route is unfeasible.



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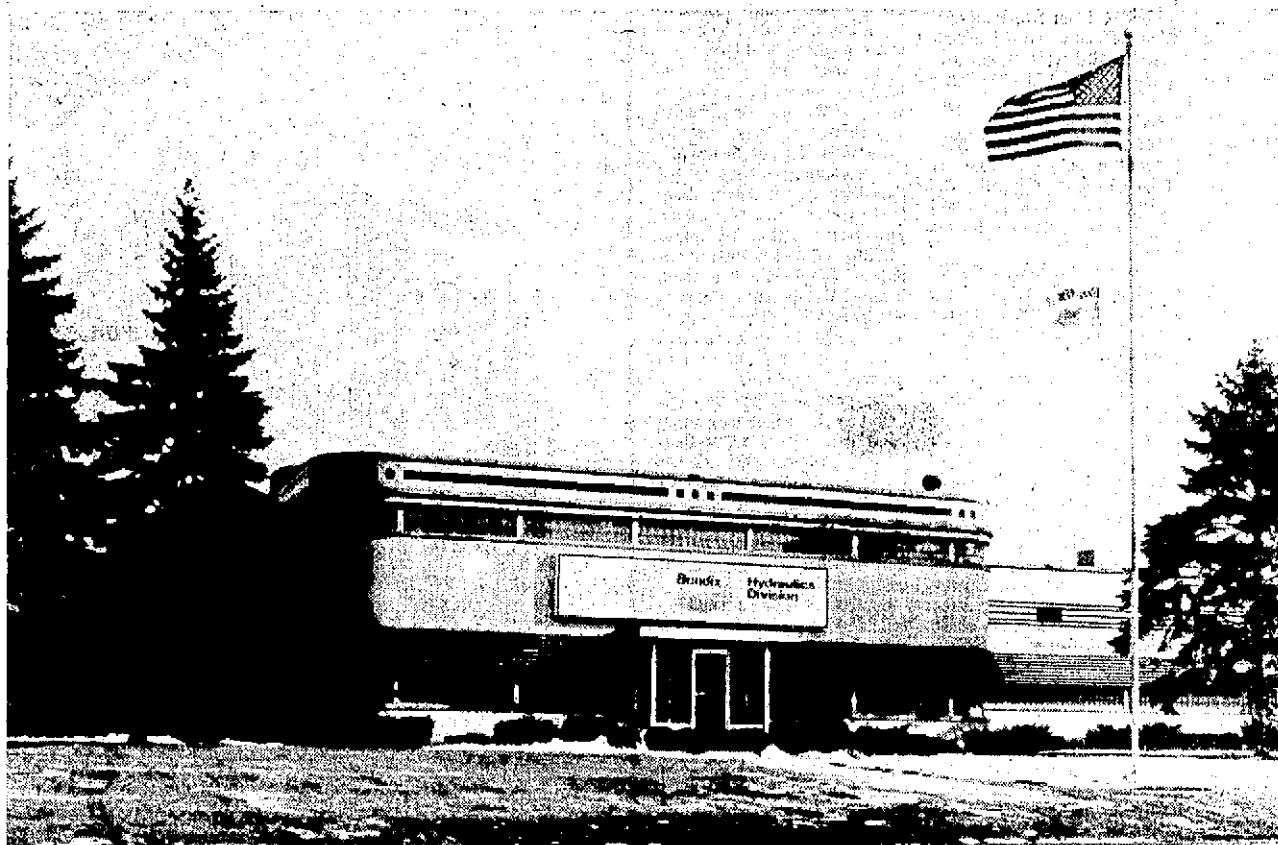
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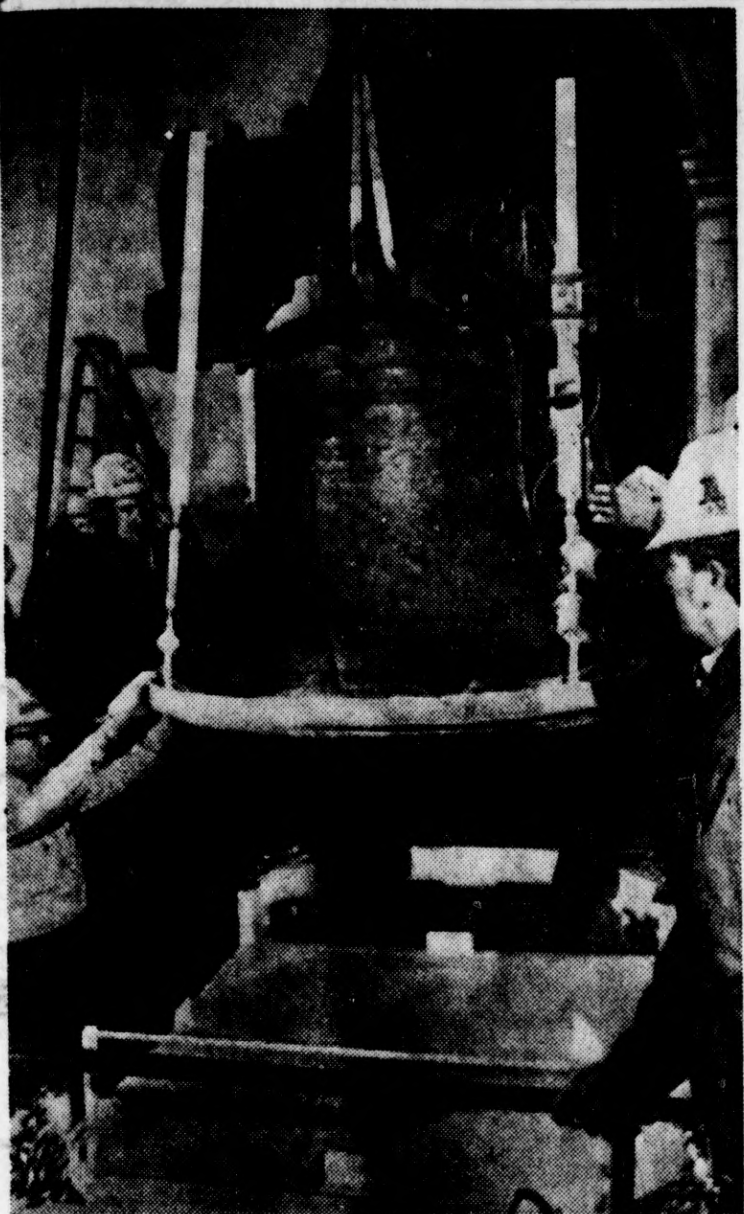
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Superman's Pal

Still Remembered

For That Role

By VICTORIA GRAHAM
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Playwright Jack Larson strolled into a Greenwich Village bookstore to buy one of his plays. The young clerk stared. As Larson left, the clerk stammered: "Hey, man, you're Jimmy Olson. You're a culture hero."

Last fall in Tiffany's, someone recognized the dapper Larson as the actor who played the overeager, scrape-prone copyboy, Jimmy Olson in the 1950s television series "Superman."

He was surrounded by autograph seekers whose children watch daily television reruns of the Man of Steel.

"The attention was for Superman and Jimmy Olson, not my poems or plays," admits the 41-year-old Larson who filmed his last "Superman" episode in 1960 and launched a serious career of playwriting.

"I don't mind talking about those days. It was great fun," says the slightly graying Larson, sitting in his room at the Chelsea Hotel, New York nexus for artists and writers.

"But please, go easy on Jimmy Olson," laughs the compact, energetic Larson, adjusting his brown velvet suit and heading for the Martha Graham anniversary gala.

His latest major work is the libretto for Virgil Thompson's opera, "Lord Byron," just published by Southern-Peer Music Co.

Next season the Geoffrey Ballet will perform Larson's dramatic poem, "Orpheus Times Light Squared." Last season a small scandal erupted over the choreography of his poem, "The Relativity of Icarus," when some critics said it was an erotic ballet.

He has written numerous oneact plays and two well-received full-length plays in rhymed verse, "The Candied House" and "Cherry, Larry, Sandy, Doris, Jean, Paul."

Next month the San Francisco Chamber Symphony will perform the premier of his monodrama, "Sun-like."

Larson, a bachelor, lives in Los Angeles in a Frank Lloyd Wright home, enjoys skiing and divides his time in Switzerland between long mornings of writing and long afternoons on the slopes.

"I always wrote, from the time I was 15," Larson says, "but at first I didn't think I could earn my living writing."

He was discovered by a talent scout as he was costarring in his own play, "Balguna Del Mar," about college students Easter week escapades in Balboa and Laguna, Calif.

Then for eight years he was Jimmy Olson in the early days of television.

"I was told 'Superman' wouldn't amount to anything, and I might as well do it and

take the money," he recalls.

Larson never made much from his contract, sometimes \$250 a week, or from small residuals which have run out.

"I absolutely believed no one would see it," he says, "but it went right through the ceiling, and I couldn't walk down the street without being mobbed."

"Jimmy had so Reeves, who played Superman, 'was a great leading man,' Larson says. "It was tough to have to wear a cape and tights on a set with a macho crew who gave him a hard time."

Sometimes, Reeves came crashing through a wall to rescue Jimmy, "then, he would collapse in a mock faint as soon as the camera shifted."

Larson's favorite episode was "Jimmy Olson, Semi-Private Eye" where Jimmy thought he was a Sam Spade-type detective and did a Humphrey Bogart imitation.

But eight years was enough. "I didn't want my world to be sound stage walls," Larson says. "It was terrible work. I didn't make money on the TV series, and I was thoroughly type-cast as Olson."

"After Superman I quit acting and took up the life of a playwright in New York." He received grants and commissions for work. At one time he was reluctant to discuss his Superman days for fear it would jeopardize his grant-income.

"But I don't mind it now," Larson says. "I used to idolize silent film comics like Buster Keaton. Now we've become mythical figures like the people I admired so."

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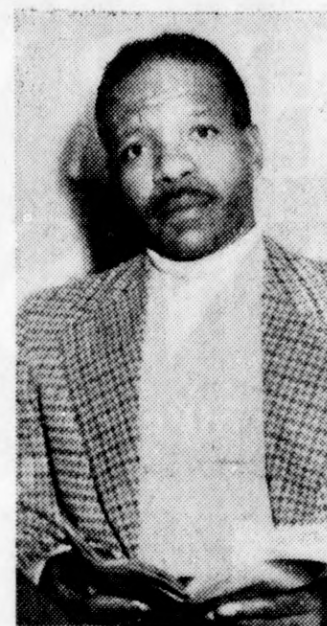
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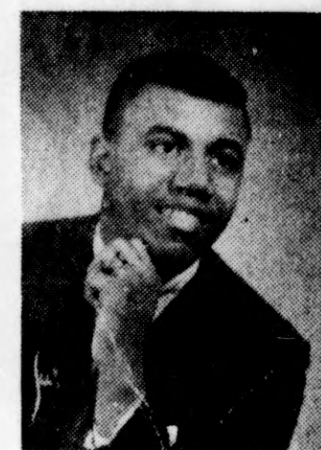
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April Cloudburst Wreaked Heavy Loss On Van Buren

Top Newsmaker Of The Year

A severe rain storm in April which caused millions of dollars in damage to crops, homes, roads, and drains was among the top news stories in Van Buren county during 1975.

Officials placed damage to roads, drains, culverts and homes at \$1 million, and to crops at \$18.7 million, affecting some 1,500 farmers and 25,000 acres. During one three-hour period April 18, some 4.5 inches of rain were dumped on the county.

Federal disaster aid totaling \$179,832, was eventually granted to the cities of Bangor and South Haven, Covert township, and the county road and drain commissions.

Early this month, the county received another type of major shock when Mrs. Arretta Lou

Ingraham, 46, wife of a South Haven city councilman, was slain during a holdup of the Ingraham's grocery store in South Haven. Wilbur Ingraham, the victim's husband, witnessed the slaying.

Two men, Ronnie L. Wilson, 27, Gary, Ind., and Edwin Lamar Langston, 23, South Haven, were charged with first degree murder in the slaying.

Also during the year, preliminary steps were taken to what could be the first state audit of the financial records and decisions of a school district in Van Buren county as well as southwestern Michigan.

Representatives of the state education department conducted a preliminary review of the Bangor school district records and were to recommend

whether the full audit should be undertaken. The audit was sought in the aftermath of a citizens study of school district needs. A recall drive involving five school board members has also been launched and a vote scheduled for Feb. 2.

The five are Donald Piper, Richard Kroegel, Forest Gough, Dr. Joseph Cooper and Fred Walte.

A 20-day search for a 13-year-old Kalamazoo boy who disappeared in Van Buren State park on July 4, while on a camping trip with his grandparents was also among the year's top stories.

The body of George Fuhrman was found on July 24 atop a sand dune. Police said he had apparently been buried by a sand slide.

A Wayne State university student, who claimed to be psychic, was originally given credit for the discovery, but it was later learned he had been with two boys who actually found the site.

Elections, several of them controversial, were also very much in the news in 1975.

On July 29, South Haven township voters recalled Supervisor Clifford Klapp and Trustee Donald Gelman because of their support of a proposed controversial zoning ordinance. Voters on Sept. 2 elected James Schnake as supervisor and Mrs. Emilla (Mille) Miller as trustee.

On Aug. 4 Covert school voters approved a 16-mill property tax renewal by a margin that was originally announced at over 100 votes. However, 176 absentee ballots were challenged but not counted election night.

The school board charged that there had been abuses of the absentee ballots, indicating some township officials were involved. In turn, Covert township Supervisor Jerry Sarjo said that the election had been improperly handled.

In a recount, the millage won by only six votes.

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Jarius Cook, 15, all of Kalamazoo, all pleaded guilty to charges of manslaughter, and received varying sentences in state corrections facilities.

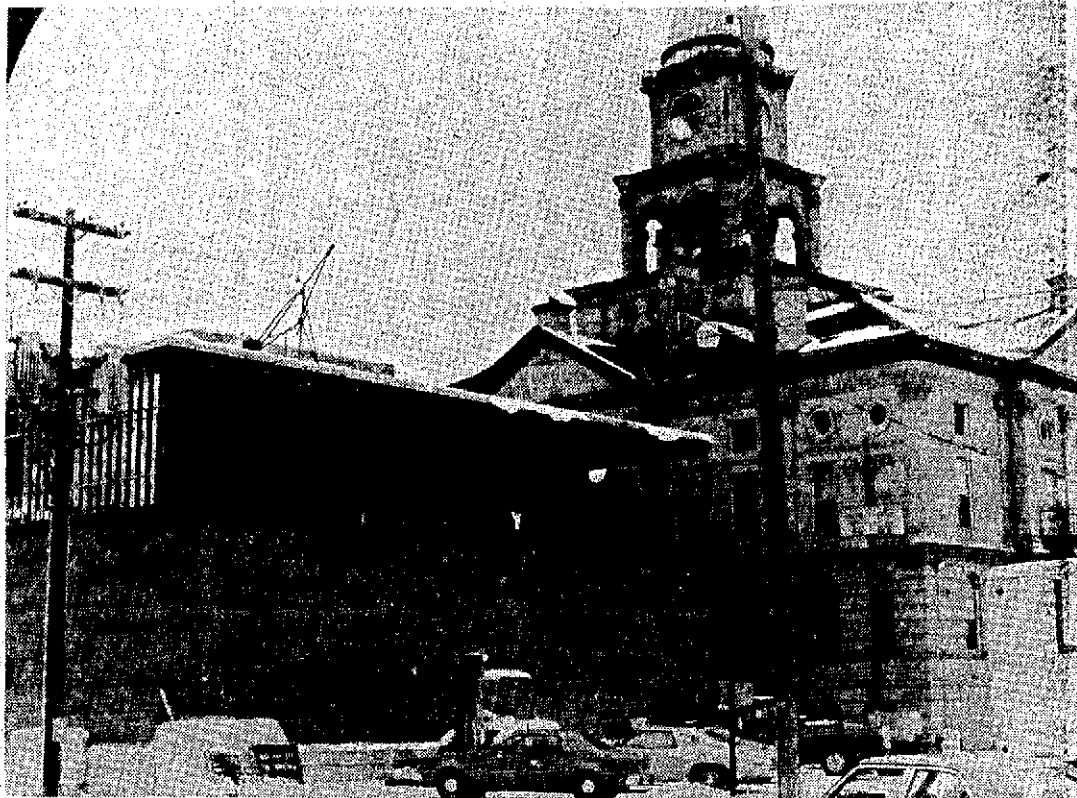
Carle Cordell Vaughn, 20, Kalamazoo, whom the prosecution alleged did the actual stabbing, and Sandra K. Strickler, 21, Kalamazoo, are awaiting trial on first-degree murder charges.

However, not all the news in 1975 was grim.

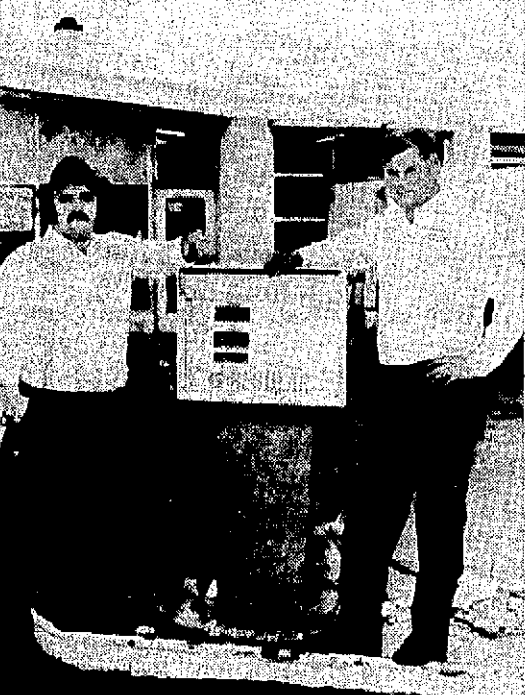
When a lack of funds threatened to virtually close down the Van Buren chapter of the Red Cross, a countywide fund drive was launched in March. Some \$20,000 was eventually raised, insuring operations for another year.

Another \$52,000 was raised in a similar drive which enabled a group of members and chaperones of the Van Buren Folk Dancers to make a 23-day tour of Poland last summer.

Two major construction projects were undertaken by the county during the year. Work on a \$580,929 addition to the county courthouse got underway in September, while a \$45,000 renovation of the old county health department building was completed in late November. It now houses the county agricultural extension service.



VAN BUREN COURTHOUSE ADDITION: Work on \$580,929 addition to Van Buren county courthouse in Paw Paw began in September, and is expected to be completed early next summer. General contractor for 18,000 square foot building is Paul Barton and Associates, Kalamazoo. (Staff photo)



NEW LOCATION: Hop Robbins and Ted Harding recently opened Ted & Hop's Service gas station at intersection of I-94 and Pipestone road in Benton township. Robbins and Harding previously operated service station at Red Arrow highway and Glenford road in Stevensville and prior to that, separately ran several stations in area. New location is leased from Jersey Oil Co. and sells "Pro" gasoline. (Staff photo)

Charges Delayed In Flint Shootout

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — No decision on charges will be made until next week in the shootout involving a black Flint policeman and a white policeman, Genesee County Prosecutor Robert Leonard says.

Leonard said Tuesday his probe showed 14 shots were fired in the incident at the Flint Police Headquarters on Saturday. Both officers were wounded.

The prosecutor described the incident as a "very complicated factual case." He said the possibility of self-defense was being examined from the point of view of both officers.

Earlier Tuesday, about half the 35 Flint officers on the early shift threatened to walk off their jobs in protest of the lifting of the arrest of the policeman, Madeline Fletcher, 20.

Police Chief Herbert Adams said the walkout was averted after he spoke with the officers.

Some white officers reportedly complained to him that the department's standards of height, weight, education and test scores have been downgraded to attract more blacks and women.

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Gov. Hugh Carey's continuing feud with anticorruption prosecutor Maurice Nadjari has taken a new twist. Carey is now demanding another special prosecutor to investigate allegations that he tried to fire Nadjari for investigating Democrats close to the governor.

Carey also proposed Tuesday that Michael Armstrong, a lawyer who originally worked for the commission that outlined widespread police corruption, take over most of Nadjari's current duties investigating the city's criminal justice system.

Police said an argument over which officer would drive their patrol car led to the exchange of gunfire in which Miss Fletcher and Officer Walter Kalberer, 34, were wounded.

Officer Fletcher had been placed in police custody at Hurley Hospital following the incident, but Leonard said Monday she was no longer under arrest.

The hospital issued no reports on the condition of Miss Fletcher or Kalberer, but police sources said both were in stable condition.

Police said a preliminary investigation showed Miss Fletcher fired the first shot after Kalberer forcibly attempted to remove her from the driver's seat of their patrol car.

Miss Fletcher finished a 12-month probationary period on Dec. 15 after being hired under an affirmative action program.

Kalberer, an eight-year veteran, was hit in the leg. Miss Fletcher was shot in the chest either by Kalberer or another officer who may have fired on her during the incident, police said.

Mayor James Rutherford, a former Flint police chief, said Tuesday he would help with the investigation of the incident.

Flint's Society of Afro-American Police Officers (SAAPO) called for an agency outside Genesee County to head the probe. State Police and the attorney general's office were mentioned as possible investigators.

SAAPO said black and white officers have noted some racial polarization in the Flint police force.

Meanwhile, Teamsters Local 214, bargaining agent for the Flint police, went to Genesee County Circuit Court to seek an injunction prohibiting police officials from turning over to the city's ombudsman all records in connection with the shootout.

Circuit Judge Henry McAr ruled the ombudsman was entitled to all records in the case but ordered that they not be shown to anyone except Leonard.

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Bicentennial Celebrations Planned

Planning for the nation's Bicentennial celebration in 1976, got underway throughout southwestern Michigan during 1975.

And celebrations of the Bicentennial will take various forms in southwestern Michigan.

Berrien, Allegan and Cass counties are all planning countywide events, while the Van Buren county Bicentennial committee is coordinating a number of individual community observances.

In some cases, communities in the area have scheduled, or have in the planning stage, special celebrations while others are centering annual festivals around a Bicentennial theme.

Berrien county's is the most ambitious of county-level Bicentennial celebrations.

A pageant, July 21-25 at the Berrien county youth fairgrounds is planned and volunteers of all ages and from

every community are being sought.

The two-hour pageant will use a cast of performers, workers and stage crew of between 500 and 700 people in recounting the county's history over the last 200 years. It is being financed by a \$40,000 budget.

Individual communities in the county have scheduled events varying from musical programs to antique shows, according to Dr. A. S. Mowery, executive director of the Berrien county Bicentennial committee.

In Allegan county, the Bicentennial theme will center around the role the Kalamazoo river has played in the development of the county, according to John Watts, chairman of the county's Bicentennial committee.

During August, he said, people dressed in authentic era costumes will travel down the river, stopping at several communities to join festivals where

nearly lost arts such as horse-shoeing and quilt making will be demonstrated.

In Cass county, four area festivals will come together for a grand finale July 4 at the Cass county fairgrounds in Cassopolis, according to Mrs. Marian Ritter, the county's Bicentennial committee chairman.

The Cass county area festivals will be at Edwardsburg, Cassopolis, Dowagiac and Marcellus, with townships cooperating in putting on the area celebrations.

In Van Buren, while there is no countywide event slated, the Bicentennial county committee is coordinating a number of community events, according to Gary Verdries, executive secretary of the county committee.

Paul Kaiser of Paw Paw is county Bicentennial committee chairman.

Paw Paw is having a community dinner Feb. 21 with a program to be presented by the schools with its major celebration July 4. Bangor is planning a George Washington ball in

February and a July 4 celebration.

A Feb. 7 dinner is planned in Bloomingdale along with the sale of medallions made by school students. Covert has scheduled its largest celebration for the Memorial Day weekend, with vintage movies to be shown outdoors, a parade, historical tour and displays.

In Hartford, a Bicentennial play is scheduled for February along with a July 4 celebration. Lawrence is planning an April festival with an art show, folkies and elementary school pageant; a community chorus for a musical salute in May; in June, a vaudeville show wagon; and a July 4 festival.

In South Haven, there will be an Indian culture exhibit in February, a summer Jewish festival and a maritime museum on a boat in the Black river, as well as the July 4 observance. A sculpture for the city hall lawn is also planned.

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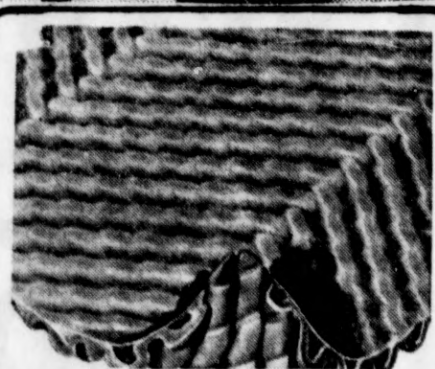
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Superman's Pal Still Remembered For That Role

By VICTORIA GRAHAM
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Playwright Jack Larson strolled into a Greenwich Village bookstore to buy one of his plays. The young clerk stared. As Larson left, the clerk stammered: "Hey, man, you're Jimmy Olson. You're a culture hero."

Last fall in Tiffany's, someone recognized the dapper Larson as the actor who played the overeager, scrape-prone copyboy, Jimmy Olson in the 1950s television series "Superman."

He was surrounded by autograph seekers whose children watch daily television reruns of the Man of Steel.

"The attention was for Superman and Jimmy Olson, not my poems or plays," admits the 41-year-old Larson who filmed his last "Superman" episode in 1960 and launched a serious career of playwriting.

"I don't mind talking about those days. It was great fun," says the slightly graying Larson, sitting in his room at the Chelsea Hotel, New York nexus for artists and writers.

"But please, go easy on Jimmy Olson," laughs the compact, energetic Larson, adjusting his brown velvet suit and heading for the Martha Graham anniversary gala.

His latest major work is the libretto for Virgil Thompson's opera, "Lord Byron," just published by Southern-Peer Music Co.

Next season the Geoffrey Ballet will perform Larson's dramatic poem, "Orpheus Times Light Squared." Last season a small scandal erupted over the choreography of his poem, "The Relativity of Icarus," when some critics said it was an erotic ballet.

He has written numerous one-act plays and two well-received full-length plays in rhymed verse, "The Candied House" and "Cherry, Larry, Sandy, Doris, Jean, Paul."

Next month the San Francisco Chamber Symphony will perform the premier of his monodrama, "Sun-like."

Larson, a bachelor, lives in Los Angeles in a Frank Lloyd Wright home, enjoys skiing and divides his time in Switzerland between long mornings of writing and long afternoons on the slopes.

"I always wrote, from the time I was 15," Larson says, "but at first I didn't think I could earn my living writing." He was discovered by a talent scout as he was costarring in his own play, "Belgium Del Mar," about college students Easter week occupied in Balboa and Laguna, Calif.

Then for eight years he was Jimmy Olson in the early days of television.

take the money," he recalls. Larson never made much from his contract, sometimes \$250 a week, or from small residuals which have run out.

"I absolutely believed no one would see it," he says, "but it went right through the ceiling, and I couldn't walk down the street without being mobbed."

"Jimmy had so Reeves, who played Superman, 'was a great leading man,' Larson says. 'It was tough to have to wear a cape and tights on a set with a macho crew who gave him a hard time.'

Sometimes, Reeves came crashing through a wall to rescue Jimmy, 'then, he would collapse in a mock faint as soon as the camera shifted.'

Larson's favorite episode was "Jimmy Olson, Semi-Private Eye" where Jimmy thought he was a Sam Spade-type detective and did a Humphrey Bogart imitation.

But eight years was enough. "I didn't want my world to be sound stage walls," Larson says. "It was terrible work. I didn't make money on the TV series, and I was thoroughly type-cast as Olson."

"After Superman I quit acting and took up the life of a playwright in New York." He received grants and commissions for work. At one time he was reluctant to discuss his Superman days for fear it would jeopardize his grant-income.

"But I don't mind it now," Larson says. "I used to idolize silent film comics like Buster Keaton. Now we've become mythical figures like the people I admired so."

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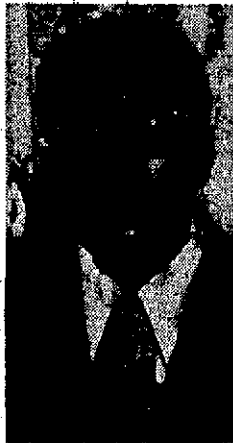
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ADC Audits Save Berrien, Van Buren \$1.6 Million

Audits of ADC cases in Berrien and Van Buren counties during 1975 showed the counties will reap a savings of more than \$1.6 million by dropping ineligible recipients from the caseloads.

But despite the closer inspection by officials from the two counties' social services departments, ADC families continue to migrate to the southwestern Michigan area, primarily because of Michigan's higher ADC

payment rates.

In Berrien county, a case-by-case review of all ADC recipients resulted in 317 cases dropped from the rolls for a net saving of \$1,061,508, according to Wesley Bowerman, Berrien's director of social services.

The Van Buren audit cancelled 190 cases for a savings of about \$800,000, Charles Higgins, Van Buren social services director, reported.

The audits came as part of a

state-wide Corrective Action Program, and preliminary figures from the state indicate a savings of some \$80 million to Michigan taxpayers.

Southwestern Michigan, though, and Berrien county especially, continues to feel the influx of out-of-state people who move to Michigan to obtain more money from ADC.

State Welfare Director John T. Dempsey explained Michigan is one of the top states in the

country for high ADC payments, and in the immediate area encompassing Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan, it is the highest.

Dempsey previously said he believes the exodus of ADC recipients from other states into Michigan is "overexaggerated," and felt "most people move with the hope of finding employment, not to get on welfare."

But Bowerman countered that

statement with figures showing Berrien's number of out-of-state applicants who've moved to Michigan is constantly increasing.

Bowerman noted from February through December, 1974, his office processed 305 welfare applications from out-of-staters, which include applications for ADC, general assistance, and medical assistance. But in the first nine months of this year, through September, Berrien had

received 262 applications for ADC alone from out-of-staters, Bowerman emphasized.

"Michigan is attracting people, but for the wrong reasons," Bowerman said in October when he presented an annual report for his department.

"It really hurts to see people uprooted and moving up here because of lack of concern of other states. It's not fair to the county . . . it's not fair to

communities that have other problems." Bowerman reported Berrien has an average of about 4,300 ADC recipients per month, and has paid some \$9 million in ADC benefits through August.

The average ADC payment per family is \$251.57 each month, he added.

Ray Bierline, deputy director of assistance payments for Van Buren, said that county has about 1,800 ADC recipients each

month, with \$3.4 million paid out through August. Bierline also said the average payment per family in Van Buren is \$267.75 each month.

Bierline was unable to estimate the number of ADC applications from out-of-staters because those figures have not yet been compiled in Van Buren, he explained.

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Bicentennial Celebrations Planned

Planning for the nation's Bicentennial celebration in 1976, got underway throughout southwestern Michigan during 1975.

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Berrien, Allegan and Cass counties are all planning county-wide events, while the Van Buren county Bicentennial committee is coordinating a number of individual community observances.

In some cases, communities in the area have scheduled, or have in the planning stage, special celebrations while others are centering annual festivals around a Bicentennial theme.

Berrien county's is the most ambitious of county-level Bicentennial celebrations.

A pageant, July 21-25 at the Berrien county youth fairgrounds is planned and volunteers of all ages and from

every community are being sought.

The two-hour pageant will use a cast of performers, workers and stage crew of between 500 and 700 people in recounting the county's history over the last 200 years. It is being financed by a \$40,000 budget.

Individual communities in the county have scheduled events varying from musical programs to antique shows, according to Dr. A. S. Mowery, executive director of the Berrien county Bicentennial committee.

In Allegan county, the Bicentennial theme will center around the role the Kalamazoo river has played in the development of the county, according to John Watts, chairman of the county's Bicentennial committee.

During August, he said, people dressed in authentic era costumes will travel down the river, stopping at several communities to join festivals where

nearly lost arts such as horse-shoing and quilt making will be demonstrated.

In Cass county, four area festivals will come together for a grand finale July 4 at the Cass county fairgrounds in Cassopolis, according to Mrs. Marian Ritter, the county's Bicentennial committee chairman.

The Cass county area festivals will be at Edwardsburg, Cassopolis, Dowagiac and Marcellus, with townships cooperating in putting on the area celebrations.

In Van Buren, while there is no countywide event slated, the Bicentennial county committee is coordinating a number of community events, according to Gary Verdries, executive secretary of the county committee.

Paul Kaiser of Paw Paw is county Bicentennial committee chairman.

Paw Paw is having a community dinner Feb. 21 with a program to be presented by the schools with its major celebration July 4. Bangor is planning a George Washington ball in

February and a July 4 celebration.

A Feb. 7 dinner is planned in Bloomingdale along with the sale of medallions made by school students. Covert has scheduled its largest celebration for the Memorial Day weekend, with vintage movies to be shown outdoors, a parade, historical tour and displays.

In Hartford, a Bicentennial play is scheduled for February along with a July 4 celebration. Lawrence is planning an April festival with an art show, folies and elementary school pageant; a community chorus for a musical salute in May; in June, a vaudeville show wagon; and a July 4 festival.

In South Haven, there will be an Indian culture exhibit in February, a summer Jewish festival and a maritime museum on a boat in the Black river, as well as the July 4 observance. A sculpture for the city hall lawn is also planned.

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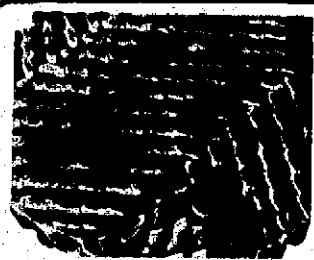
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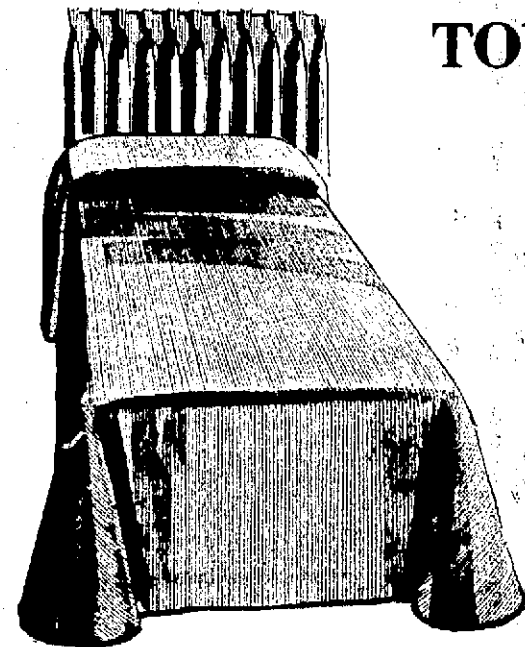
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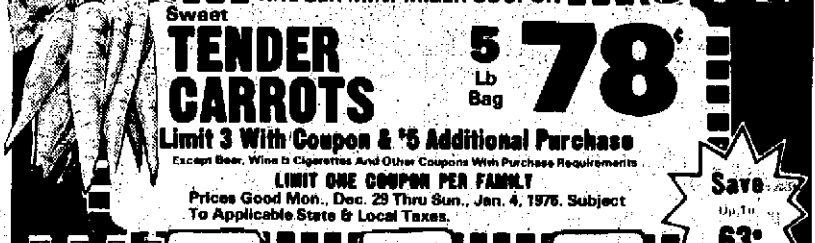
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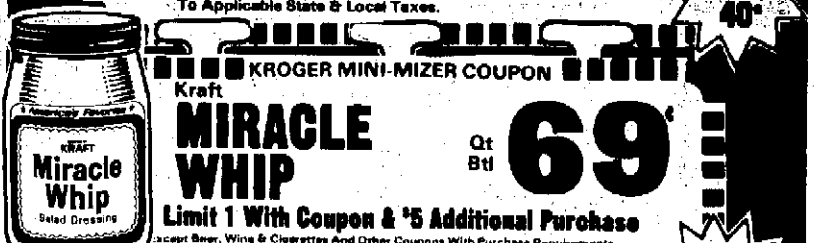


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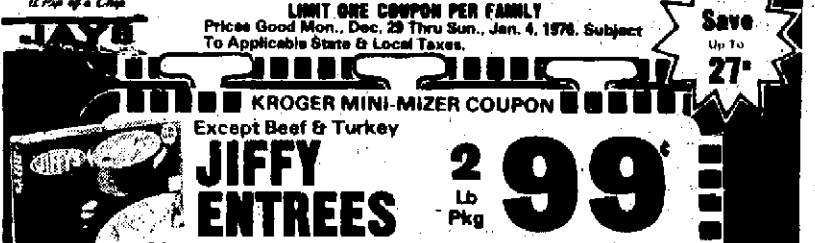


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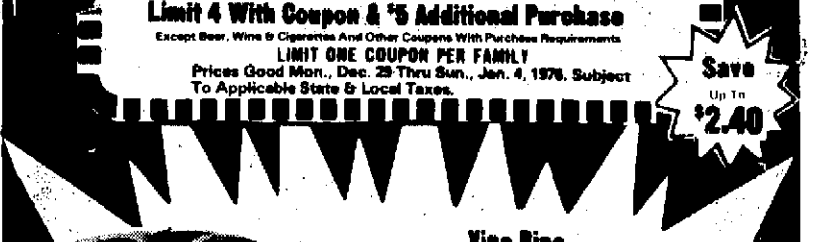


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Stay-At-Homes Face Dull Fare

By JAY SHARBUTT
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Tonight, the night before National Hangover Day, contains a few TV goodies you might enjoy watching if you don't plan to do much more than sip coffee and sigh, "Big deal," as 1975 ends.

ABC will kick off the New Year's Eve fare at 7:30 p.m. EST with coverage of the Sugar Bowl football dispute between Penn State and Alabama.

Thirty minutes later, CBS' "Tony Orlando and Dawn" show will do a New Year's Eve special.

At the same time, NBC will serve up a 90-minute look at the 42nd King Orange Jamboree Parade in Miami.

The live-it-up part of the evening starts at 11 p.m. EST, when the Public Broadcasting Service offers public TV stations "New Year's Eve at Pops," a live show from Boston produced by WGBH there.

It'll feature dancers from the Boston Ballet, Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops and assorted music to go whoopee by, including "The Procession of Bacchus."

At 11:30 p.m. EST, NBC's "Tonight" show, taped several hours earlier, will start denoting the passage of another year.

At the same time, CBS will start ringing in 1976 with a live New York show whose music ranges from soul to sweet.

Aretha Franklin is handling the former, Guy Lombardo and his band the latter.

The ABC competition, on tape, is mod music, "New Year's Rockin' Eve '76." Both CBS and ABC plan to switch to Times Square here as midnight draws near for live coverage of the way Fun City inmates bring in 1976.

On New Year's Day, if you feel up to watching TV at the wretched hour of 10 a.m. EST, you'll find live coverage of the Cotton Bowl Festival Parade on CBS and the Junior Orange Bowl Parade on NBC.

At 10:45 a.m., NBC will offer a Rose Bowl parade preview.

At 11:30 a.m., both NBC and CBS will cover the Rose Bowl parade live.

CBS will fire the first round at 2 p.m. EST with the Cotton Bowl battle between Georgia and Arkansas.

At 4:30 p.m., NBC will check in with the granddaddy of all bowl bouts, the Rose Bowl game, which this year has UCLA doing battle with Ohio State.

If you're not bowled over by nightfall, NBC will strike again at 8 p.m. EST with coverage of the Orange Bowl game in which Oklahoma will grapple with Michigan.

That, thank heaven, will be the last special show for New Year's Day 1976.

Frank Sinatra Gives His Friends Free How-To-Stop-Smoking Course

Q: What kind of Christmas presents do the stars give to their friends? — I.Z., Columbia, S.C.

A: We're not privy to all the lists but we have heard that Paul Newman gave one male friend a \$50 gift certificate to a massage parlor. And Frank Sinatra, who recently broke himself of the cigarette habit, sent out free enrollments in his favorite how-to-stop-smoking course.

Q: It seems to me that Dr. Joyce Brothers is all over the place. On radio, television, magazines, newspapers and now I see she's done a book. What makes her work so hard? — H.C., New Orleans, La.

A: Dr. Brothers is a total workaholic. As a matter of fact,

she even commutes twice a month from New York to Los Angeles just to appear on a local CBS program. It probably costs her more in transportation to L.A. than she gets paid for the appearance.

Q: How does Bruce Springsteen feel about being on both Time and Newsweek covers and hailed as "the future of rock"? I think this type ruined him. — F.D., Boston, Mass.

A: Bruce fears you may be right. He is furious with the Columbia promotion team and says their push was "a very big mistake and I would like to strangle the guy who thought that up." They say Springsteen is quite a subdued rock star these days.

MORE ON ATHEISM: We

recently reported on a recurrent rumor that Madalyn O'Hair, America's favorite atheist, wants to stop our astronauts from quoting Bible passages in space. Ms. O'Hair says that she is into a great many projects but

are concerned the matter is closed and wants people to stop sending them post cards in defense of astronauts who read the Bible in space.

Q: I was reading the obituary of the jeweler who did many of the JFK gifts of state. What would he charge for this? — G.E., Brooklyn, N.Y.

A: In his lifetime jeweler David Webb used to tell friends that he was never paid a dime for gifts fashioned for President Kennedy nor for the mementoes which Jackie had him decorate for the President's desk. Webb claimed he never billed them and was therefore never paid anything.

Q: I hardly ever see Orson Bean anymore and wonder what's become of him? — G.G.,



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A: Bean does only as much acting as he needs to keep going these days. For the past three years he's been investigating various types of therapy. For instance, he recently went thru EST, that Werner Erhard therapy that's been sweeping

the U.S. and has attracted a number of celebrities.

Robin Adams Sloan welcomes questions from readers. While Sloan cannot provide individual answers, questions of general interest will be used in the column. Write to Robin Adams Sloan, care of this newspaper.

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By Robin Adams Sloan

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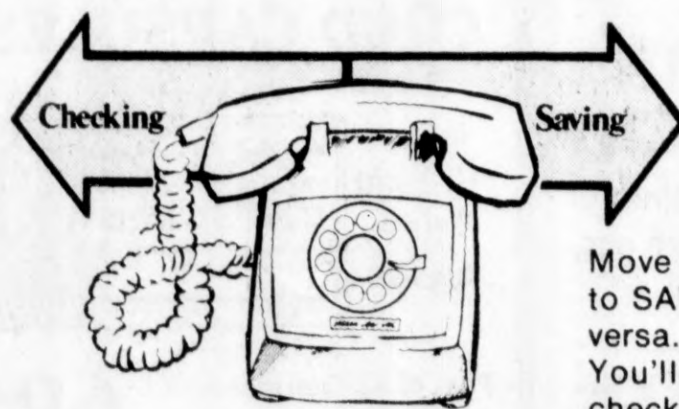
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ADC Audits Save Berrien, Van Buren \$1.6 Million

Audits of ADC cases in Berrien and Van Buren counties during 1975 showed the counties will reap a savings of more than \$1.6 million by dropping ineligible recipients from the caseloads.

But despite the closer inspection by officials from the two counties' social services departments, ADC families continue to migrate to the southwestern Michigan area, primarily because of Michigan's higher ADC

payment rates.

In Berrien county, a case-by-case review of all ADC recipients resulted in 317 cases dropped from the rolls for a net saving of \$1,061,308, according to Wesley Bowerman, Berrien's director of social services.

The Van Buren audit cancelled 190 cases for a savings of about \$800,000, Charles Higgins, Van Buren social services director, reported.

The audits came as part of a

state-wide Corrective Action Program, and preliminary figures from the state indicate a savings of some \$80 million to Michigan taxpayers.

Southwestern Michigan, though, and Berrien county especially, continues to feel the influx of out-of-state people who move to Michigan to obtain more money from ADC.

State Welfare Director John T. Dempsey explained Michigan is one of the top states in the

country for high ADC payments, and in the immediate area encompassing Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan, it is the highest.

Dempsey previously said he believes the exodus of ADC recipients from other states into Michigan is "overexaggerated," and felt "most people move with the hope of finding employment, not to get on welfare."

But Bowerman countered that

statement with figures showing Berrien's number of out-of-state applicants who've moved to Michigan is constantly increasing.

Bowerman noted from February through December, 1974, his office processed 305 welfare applications from out-of-staters, which include applications for ADC, general assistance, and medical assistance. But in the first nine months of this year, through September, Berrien had

received 262 applications for ADC alone from out-of-staters, Bowerman emphasized.

"Michigan is attracting people, but for the wrong reasons," Bowerman said in October when he presented an annual report for his department.

"It really hurts to see people uprooted and moving up here because of lack of concern of other states. It's not fair to the county . . . It's not fair to

communities that have other problems."

Bowerman reported Berrien has an average of about 4,300 ADC recipients per month, and has paid some \$9 million in ADC benefits through August.

The average ADC payment per family is \$251.57 each month, he added.

Ray Bierline, deputy director of assistance payments for Van Buren, said that county has about 1,000 ADC recipients each

month, with \$3.4 million paid out through August. Bierline also said the average payment per family in Van Buren is \$267.75 each month.

Bierline was unable to estimate the number of ADC applications from out-of-staters because those figures have not yet been compiled in Van Buren, he explained.

According to the state social services department, there are 108,000 ADC cases in Michigan.

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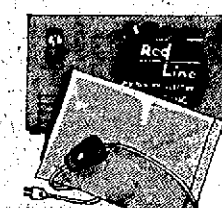
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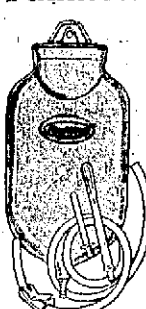
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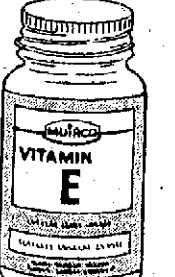
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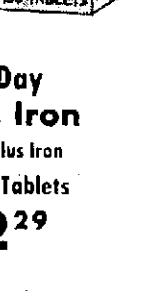
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Jurisdiction Flap Slows Berrien Tax Valuation Appeal

Berrien county's challenge of the equalized valuation set by the state has bogged down while two state agencies continue to fight over which group has jurisdiction to hear valuation appeals.

County officials said the appeal is in a "holding pattern" while the two groups continue with a legal battle to determine which body has the final authority in tax appeals. Settlement likely is many months away, and possibly years.

The county board of commissioners in April challenged the equalized value for real property by cutting what was termed a 4½ per cent "inflation" increase from the valuation proposed by the board's own equalization committee and the county equalization department.

The State Tax Commission (STC) overruled that cut by restoring the 4½ per cent and tacking on an additional sum. The county then appealed the ruling to the State Tax Tribunal (STT), an organization established by recent legislation to provide for appeals from tax commission decisions.

In the meantime, the county was forced to assess on the basis of the valuation set by the tax commission because of a ruling by the attorney general that required counties to assess at the level set by the commission.

If the new tax tribunal should reverse the STC decision and restore the cuts it could mean huge rebates and "monumental

headaches," according to County Equalization Director Francis Rawlinson.

Although still uncertain of how the rebates would be managed, Rawlinson predicted they could be handled at the annual tax billing, with credit given on tax bills.

The hassle of the appellate process was compounded when the tax commission challenged the tax tribunal's jurisdiction, claiming the tribunal had no jurisdiction over appeals of statewide equalization. The commission contends the only right of appeal is to the court of appeals, and then only in limited situations. Asst. Prosecutor John Bruha, chief of the county's civil division, explained.

Berrien was one of some 20 counties which appealed STC decisions to the tax tribunal and Bruha noted the tribunal decided not to rule on the appeals until the jurisdiction hassle was worked out.

In late November, the tribunal denied the commission challenge by stating it does have the jurisdiction to hear the appeals, meaning the cases could now proceed, Bruha pointed out.

But another snag then surfaced as the tax commission requested the tribunal not take any action on the appeals until the state supreme court reaches a decision on cases involving tax appeals which are now before the court. Bruha said the tax tribunal in-

dicted it would probably honor that request, and the assistant prosecutor estimated the high court decision might not come until early spring.

Rawlinson said he heard Berrien's appeal to the tribunal might not even be considered until August, and could give no prediction when the group might rule. He noted the tribunal has about 5,000 appeals before it, with only five staff personnel to handle the appeals.

The original challenge to real property valuations took the form of a city versus rural bloc among commission members when the board on April 24 voted 7 to 6 to cut a 4½ per cent inflation increase out of the real estate tax valuation.

The cut shaved \$38,554,528 from the real property valuation of \$856,767,290 proposed by the equalization department and the county's equalization committee, bringing the figure down to \$818,212,762.

Personal property remained at \$264,665,109, for a total county equalized valuation of \$1,082,877,871.

The tax commission on May 12 added \$38 million (the 4½ per cent inflation increase) to the \$818,212,762 figure adopted by the county, and tacked on another \$590,407 in real property and \$203,656 in personal property valuations.

The add-ons drew the wrath of the entire board, which claimed

the additional amounts were punitive measures for challenging the original figure.

On May 27 representatives from county government appeared before the commission in Lansing to fight the increase, citing a number of factors which county officials felt were responsible for Berrien's real estate valuation to appear higher on paper than what it actually is.

Commissioner Carl Gnodtke, of Sawyer, noted many people from large cities buy acreage (hobby farms) in Berrien county at enormous prices, paying far more than par value. He also noted sales studies may include personal property which was included in the sales, closing costs, commissions, attorney and survey fees, and other items which are not part of the true cash value of property.

But the tax commission did not concur with Berrien's arguments, and adopted the equalized valuation which included the 4½ per cent increase plus the add-ons.

On June 19, the county board, again in a split vote, decided to appeal the commission's ruling to the tax tribunal. At the time, Prosecutor John Smetanka, who was instructed to prepare the appeal, told the board he didn't feel there was a "high probability of success" for the appeal.

The board, however, is still pursuing the appeal.

Area Draws Fishermen On National Basis

Big Lake And The Rivers Paradise For Anglers

Southwestern Michigan's portion of Lake Michigan and its rivers are earning national recognition as a fishing hot spot for big salmon and trout.

The lake and rivers together form a year-around fishery that generates almost a half-million fishing days per year.

Fishermen have been coming here to land the big ones from an increasingly wider area in the midwest, and beyond.

The possibility of landing a 40-pounder makes it exciting. The action also can be fast — it's possible for a dedicated fisherman to see more than a 1,000 fish a year taken from his boat.

Action centers on Lake Michigan in the spring and summer and moves to the rivers like the St. Joseph, Paw Paw, Galien, Black and Kalamazoo in the fall and winter when fish move ups-

stream to spawn.

The fishing for coho, chinook, steelhead, lake trout and brown trout has generally been good enough to satisfy most anglers, but it should get even better.

Southwestern Michigan's fishing area for these anadromous fish has been expanded with the opening of the St. Joseph River fish ladder on the Berrien Springs dam. This justifies planting more fish, which could come because of Department of Natural Resources plans to double hatchery production over the next decade.

"It deserves a lot of attention and is getting a lot of attention," says Ned Fogle of the DNR's Great Lakes division when reviewing the southwestern Michigan fishery.

"It's as good as any place in the state. We rank it very high... right at the top with the Manistee and Platte River areas."

Department of Natural Resources state statistics for 1974 put southwestern Michigan's anadromous fishery in the top five for river angling activity and in the top seven for fishing out on the Big Lake.

Fish plants in area rivers also show the importance of the fishery.

Releases this year in the St. Joseph River included 250,000 chinook, 20,000 steelhead and 15,000 brown trout. Elsewhere, plants included 5,000 steelhead in the Paw Paw; 55,000 steelhead in the Galien; 5,000 steelhead and 10,000 browns in the Black; 5,000 steelhead in the Rabbit; and 5,000 steelhead, 5,000 browns and 100,000 chinook in the Kalamazoo.

There have also been lake trout releases into Lake Michigan off Benton Harbor-St. Joseph, South Haven and Saugatuck. The plants at each area have been running at about 50,000 annually.

Not all of these fish survive. But some impressive creels have been logged.

St. Joseph charter boat captain Ken Neidlinger has

already taken more than 1,000 fish from his boat this year. His catch for Lake Michigan alone totals 994, including 515 coho, 283 lakies, 128 chinook, 12 browns and six steelhead.

His records show fishing was best on the Big Lake during April, May and June when he averaged eight fish per trip. Success dipped to three per outing during July, August and September.

A significant factor in the catch by Neidlinger, who averages 30 to 60 hours a week of fishing time, is the high number of coho, despite the fact that few are planted in area rivers.

Coho migrate to the southern end of Lake Michigan in the spring, and southwestern Michigan fishermen have the advantage of fishing the species before it starts back north in the summer for spawning runs in the fall. Neidlinger's take included 223 coho in April and 154 in May.

This past spring's coho fishery saw the development of a new hot spot. The fish were attracted to the warm water discharge of the new Cook Nuclear Plant at Bridgman, and that area provided some top-notch fishing.

Fishing on the Big Lake can be expensive, with a boat which can safely ply the waters often costing \$5,000 or more, but once the fish start up stream, they're within the capabilities of rowboat fishermen and wading anglers.

The lower St. Joseph River between the Napier bridge and Pipestone Creek provided a great river fishery for trollers this fall. And snaggers below the Berrien Springs dam took hundreds of fish during their special season.

Recreation is primary result of the fishery for most, but there is a definite financial impact also. The cost of a Great Lakes boat is a significant item by itself. Then there's the expensive gear needed to outfit the vessel.

About 10 charter boat captains also operate out of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph at a rate of \$150 per day for a party of four to six.

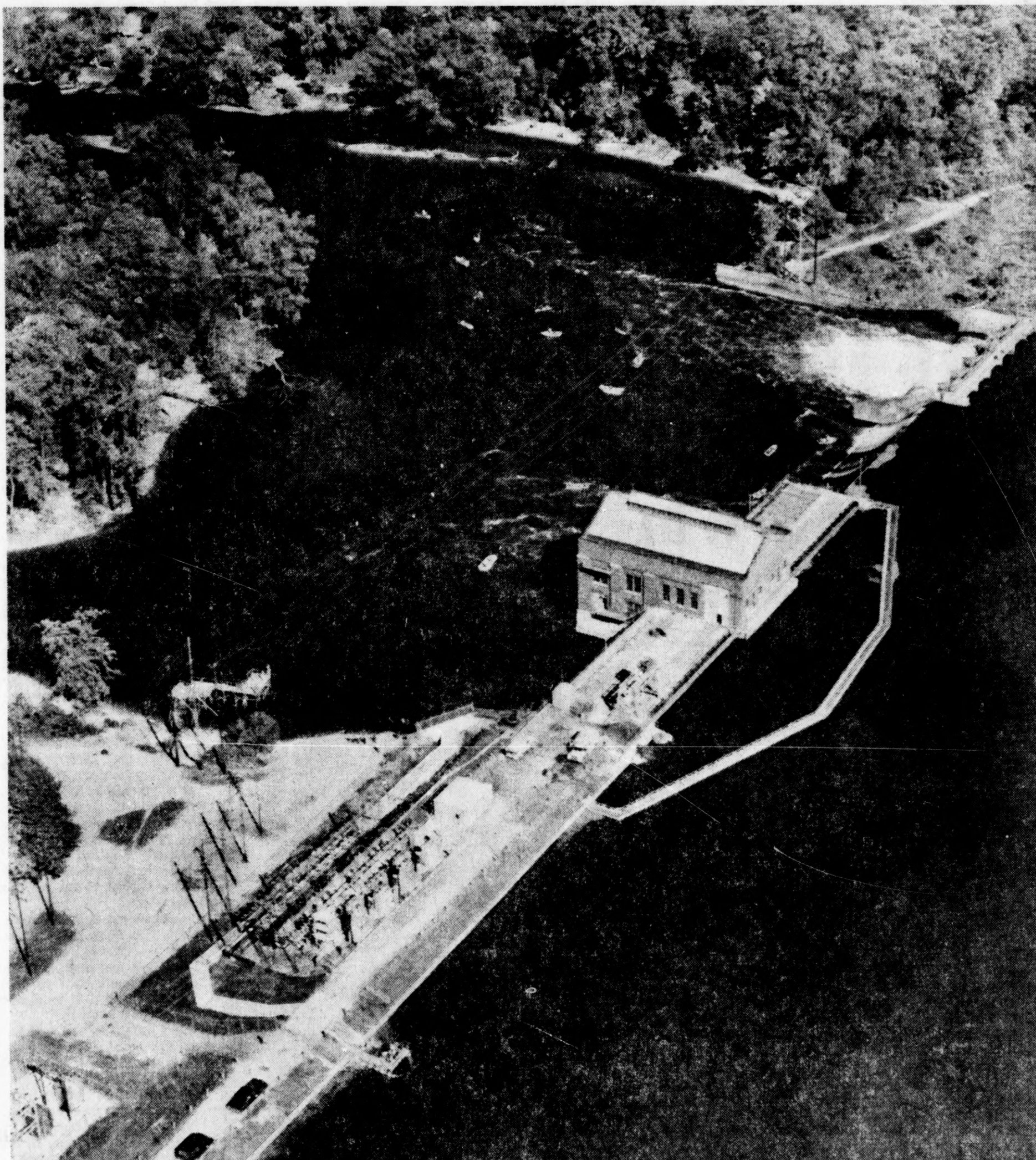
"Personally, I think it's just a look at what we've got ahead of us," says Walt Olmstead of Stevensville when summing up the fishery.

Olmstead, who started as a sport fisherman and as a director in the Michigan Steelhead and Salmon Fishermen's association (a group dedicated to protecting the resource) and has now become a charter captain in addition, anticipates a "lot of growth in the fishery that we have yet to see, envision or address ourselves to."

"I think we are still in pretty much the adolescence of things in almost any area. There are so many people who are just now becoming awakened to the thing and started to enjoy it."

An example of the growing awareness and interest in the fishery is seen in the forming in the past few weeks of a local chapter of the Michigan Steelhead and Salmon Fishermen's Association, which has a growing, paying membership of near 250.

It's now winter and a time for talking and meetings for many fishermen, but for those who make it a sport for all seasons, there are some lunker steelhead to be had in southwestern Michigan's major rivers now.



FISHING HOT SPOT: A southwestern Michigan hot spot for salmon and steelhead fishing is on St. Joseph River below the Berrien Springs dam. Fishing boats are seen below the dam. At the lower left (arrows) is the new \$300,000 fish ladder which allows fish to "climb" over the dam and swim up the river as far as the Buchanan dam. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)



SALMON SNAGGING: A big part of the southwestern Michigan fishery each year is the fall snagging below the Allegan dam on the Kalamazoo River (pictured above) and below the Berrien Springs dam on the St. Joseph River.



BICENTENNIAL FACTS

FORTS MERCER (N.J.) and Mifflin (Pa.), erected to guard the Delaware River approach to Philadelphia, played vital roles in the Philadelphia campaign of 1777. They forced British commander-in-chief Sir William Howe to approach Philadelphia by the longer Chesapeake Bay route rather than the direct river approach. It then became difficult for him to return to the Hudson Valley in time to support the British army moving south from Canada. The World Almanac notes.

The New Calendar Reveals ...

The 200th birthday of the United States will fall on Sunday, July 4; the presidential election will be Tuesday, Nov. 2, and Christmas will be on Saturday in 1976.

There will be two Friday the 13ths in 1976, in February and August. Halloween will be on Sunday, Oct. 31.

Memorial day will be Monday, May 31, and Labor day will be Monday, Sept. 6. Thanksgiving will be Thursday, Nov. 25, and Christmas and New Years (1977) will be on Saturdays.

Other days and dates for 1976: Lincoln's birthday, Thursday, Feb. 12; Valentine's day, Saturday, Feb. 14, and Washington's birthday celebration is Monday, Feb. 16, for his original birthday of Sunday, Feb. 22.

Ash Wednesday will be March 3 and St. Patrick's day will be Wednesday, March 17. Palm Sunday will be April 11, Jewish Passover is Thursday, April 15; Good Friday is April 16 and Easter will be late, on April 18.

The Blossom Festival will be the week of May 2 to 8 and Mother's day will be May 9.

Armed Forces day will be Monday, May 15; Flag day will be Monday, June 14, and Father's day will be Sunday, June 20.

Columbus day will be Monday, Oct. 11, and Veterans day will be Monday, Oct. 25 although in some states, including Michigan, that day will be celebrated on Armistice day, Thursday, Nov. 11.



FRANK: Free courses for smoking friends.

Frank Sinatra Gives His Friends Free How-To-Stop-Smoking Course

Q: What kind of Christmas presents do the stars give to their friends? — I.Z., Columbia, S.C.

A: We're not privy to all the lists but we have heard that Paul Newman gave one male friend a \$50 gift certificate to a massage parlor. And Frank Sinatra, who recently broke himself of the cigarette habit, sent out free enrollments in his favorite how-to-stop-smoking course.

Q: It seems to me that Dr. Joyce Brothers is all over the place. On radio, television, magazines, newspapers and now I see she's done a book. What makes her work so hard? — H.C., New Orleans, La.

A: Dr. Brothers is a total workaholic. As a matter of fact,

she even commutes twice a month from New York to Los Angeles just to appear on a local CBS program. It probably costs her more in transportation to L.A. than she gets paid for the appearance.

Q: How does Bruce Springsteen feel about being on both Time and Newsweek covers and hailed as "the future of rock"? I think this type ruined him. — F.D., Boston, Mass.

A: Bruce fears you may be right. He is furious with the Columbia promotion team and says their push was "a very big mistake and I would like to strangle the guy who thought that up." They say Springsteen is quite a subdued rock star these days.

MORE ON ATHEISM: We

recently reported on a recurrent rumor that Madalyn O'Hair, America's favorite atheist, wants to stop our astronauts from quoting Bible passages in space. Ms. O'Hair says that she is into a great many projects but

are concerned the matter is closed and wants people to stop sending them post cards in defense of astronauts who read the Bible in space.

Q: I was reading the obituary of the jeweler who did many of the JFK gifts of state. What would he charge for this? — G.E., Brooklyn, N.Y.

A: In his lifetime jeweler David Webb used to tell friends that he was never paid a dime for gifts fashioned for President Kennedy nor for the merrierettes which Jackie had him decorate for the President's desk. Webb claimed he never billed them and was therefore never paid anything.

Q: I hardly ever see Orson Bean anymore and wonder what's become of him? — G.G.,



DR. BROTHERS: Twice a month to L.A.

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A: Bean does only as much acting as he needs to keep going these days. For the past three years he's been investigating various types of therapy. For instance, he recently went thru EST, that Werner Erhard therapy that's been sweeping

the U.S. and has attracted a number of celebrities.

Robin Adams Sloan welcomes questions from readers. While Sloan cannot provide individual answers, questions of general interest will be used in the column. Write to Robin Adams Sloan, care of this newspaper.



BRUCE: Upset about the promotion.

Stay-At-Homes Face Dull Fare

By JAY SHARBUTT
AP Television Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Tonight, the night before National Highway Day, contains a few TV goodies you might enjoy watching if you don't plan to do much more than sip coffee and sigh, "Big deal," as 1975 ends.

ABC will kick off the New Year's Eve fare at 7:30 p.m. EST with coverage of the Sugar Bowl football dispute between Penn State and Alabama.

Thirty minutes later, CBS' "Tony Orlando and Dawn" show will do a New Year's Eve special.

At the same time, NBC will serve up a 90-minute look at the 42nd King Orange Jamboree Parade in Miami.

The live-it-up part of the evening starts at 11 p.m. EST, when the Public Broadcasting Service offers public TV stations "New Year's Eve at Pops," a live show from Boston produced by WGBH there.

It'll feature dancers from the Boston Ballet, Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops and assorted music to go whoopee by, including "The Procession of Bacchus."

At 11:30 p.m. EST, NBC's "Tonight" show, taped several hours earlier, will start denoting the passage of another year.

At the same time, CBS will start ringing in 1976 with a live New York show whose music ranges from soul to sweet.

Artha Franklin is handling the former, Guy Lombardo and his band the latter.

The ABC competition, on tape, is mod music, "New Year's Rockin' Eve '76." Both CBS and ABC plan to switch to Times Square here as midnight draws near for live coverage of the way Fun City inmates bring in 1976.

On New Year's Day, if you feel up to watching TV at the wretched hour of 10 a.m. EST, you'll find live coverage of the Cotton Bowl Festival Parade on CBS and the Junior Orange Bowl Parade on NBC.

At 10:45 a.m., NBC will offer a Rose Bowl parade preview.

At 11:30 a.m., both NBC and CBS will cover the Rose Bowl parade live.

CBS will fire the first round at 2 p.m. EST with the Cotton Bowl battle between Georgia and Arkansas.

At 4:30 p.m., NBC will check in with the granddaddy of all bowl bouts, the Rose Bowl game, which this year has UCLA doing battle with Ohio State.

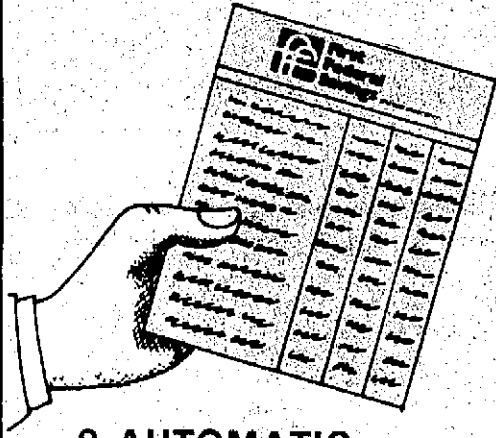
If you're not bowled over by nightfall, NBC will strike again at 8 p.m. EST with coverage of the Orange Bowl game in which Oklahoma will grapple with Michigan.

That, thank heaven, will be the last special show for New Year's Day 1976.

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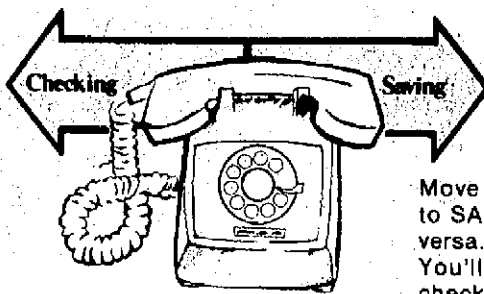
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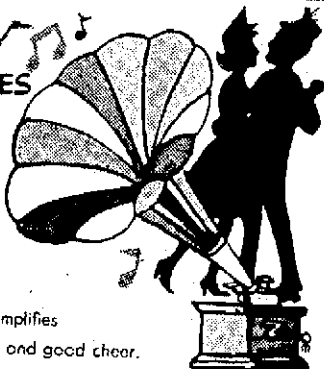
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Does Sooners' QB Davis Have Divine Connection?

MIAMI (AP) — Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer, his tongue firmly planted in his cheek, says he has one big advantage over Michigan in the Orange Bowl football game Thursday night.

"I think (senior quarterback) Steve Davis being an ordained Baptist minister gives us a connection — the pipeline he's got," said Switzer, his eyes rolling toward the heavens during Tuesday's coaches luncheon.

Michigan Coach Bo Schembechler, who'll have freshman Rick Leach leading the Wolverines, confirmed, "He's (Leach) not only giving up three years of experience, but divine right."

"I don't know if any other freshman quarterback has been able to take a team into a game like the Orange Bowl," added Schembechler in a more serious vein. Leach led Michigan to an average of almost 29 points a game, but both coaches indicated

Michigan's defense was the key.

"We believe in defense because we think you can win defensively easier than you can offensively," said Schembechler, whose 8-1-2 Wolverines have allowed only 215 yards and 10.5 points a game.

"This is the finest defense, regardless of size, we've ever played against at Oklahoma," said Switzer of Michigan's smaller defenders.

Switzer drew "oohs" when he gave the size of his offensive line, ranging from 237 pounds to 290, and got laughter when he insisted, "Size doesn't have a darn thing to do with it, I'm telling you that."

Both coaches praised the matchup, with Schembechler saying, "We may have lost the conference ... but we darn sure won

the opponent."

Michigan, ranked fifth, got into the game after losing the Big Ten title 21-14 to Ohio State. The victory put No. 1 Ohio State in the Rose Bowl against UCLA, a team it beat 41-20 in the regular season.

"I'm extremely pleased to be here and you should be pleased too," said Schembechler. "After all you came darn close to getting Woody Hayes."

"Bo, I want to say this — I wish Woody was here," said Switzer of No. 3 Oklahoma (10-1). "The best team in the Big Ten is in Miami, not in Pasadena. You (Orange Bowl) have the two finest football teams in your game, not only this year, but for the last three years."

Oklahoma, coming off NCAA probation, hasn't played in a

bowl game for three years despite a 31-1-1 record under Switzer. Michigan was 38-3-3 the past four years and Big Ten co-champions with Ohio State in 1972-74, but the Buckeyes were given the Rose Bowl nod all three years.

"These youngsters we brought down here are representing three years of frustration ... against what we consider the most formidable opponent we could have," said Schembechler.

Switzer said, "Every night I go home, I get down on my knees and pray thanks that this is one game 'Bear' Bryant couldn't manipulate."

Alabama's Bryant has been criticized for allegedly picking his bowl opponents, including Penn State for tonight's Sugar Bowl game.

Host Bears Fall In Tourney Consolation

No. 1 Denby Tops Tigers

By JOHN VANDEN HEDE

Sports Editor

Detroit Denby has bolstered its new No. 1 state ranking by capturing the fourth annual St. Joseph Holiday Tournament.

The unbeaten Tars rolled to their seventh straight victory behind 6-11 all-state candidate Stuart House by downing Benton Harbor 72-57 in the title tilt Tuesday night at the St. Joe gym.

Host St. Joseph lost 76-66 to Saginaw, ranked No. 10 this week in the first United Press International Class A poll, in the consolation game.

House, who scored 29 in Denby's opening round 67-65 triumph over Saginaw Monday night, had 20 points and a game-high 15 rebounds Tuesday.

Denby, which rallied from a

26-25 halftime deficit, also got 20 points from guard James Newman and 17 tallies from forward Ray Bradley.

Benton Harbor's Russell Steele took game scoring honors with 22 points, and Bennie Bowers and Ray Thompson added 16 and 12 points, respectively, but the 3-4 Tigers were doled by poor shooting.

Benton Harbor made just 33 per cent of its field goals (27 of 83) and free throws (three of nine).

"We didn't take too many bad shots," commented Tiger coach Earl McKee. "Those shots go in for us some times. In the third and fourth quarters when the game was tight, if the ball had dropped in instead of bouncing around on the rim, it might have been close."

Meanwhile, Denby hit a blis-

tering 56 per cent of its field goals (28 of 50), including an unbeatable 64 per cent the last two quarters. The Tars also meshed 16 of 25 free throws (64 per cent).

"That's the way we shoot. We don't have any problem with presses," continued Shannon. "I'm serious," declared

Denby coach Robert Shannon on his squad's second half sharpshooting.

Denby broke up the tight game in the third quarter by getting through Benton Harbor's press for some easy baskets. Bradley scored 14 points in the period by making seven of eight shots.

"We had to put pressure on them to beat them," added McKee while not faulting his players for Denby's decisive scoring spurt. (Denby had 30 turnovers, compared to Harbor's 17.)

"Denby played a hell of a game. We had pressure all over the place and they handled it. I can't knock my kids for that. I thought we played a hustling game."

non. "Most teams don't even attempt to press us."

Benton Harbor had also hoped to get a running game going, but as McKee stated: "We didn't run well...we didn't get the ball out well."

Shannon also thought stopping the Tiger fast break was a key to the outcome. "I saw them against Detroit Southeastern, and they ran Southeastern right out of the gym," he recalled. "I was really worried about Benton Harbor's fast break. But I think we did a super job of cutting off their fast break."

Shannon concluded by saying his team's slow start could have been caused by playing on St. Joe's large floor. He said Denby plays in "cracker box" gyms back in Detroit. "We spread it (the offense) out much too far," he said. "It took us a half yesterday to get adjusted against a man-to-man defense, and it took us a half today against the zone."

Denby also finished with a commanding 44 to 29 rebounding advantage, with 6-7 Rudy Watley adding 10 to House's game-high 15. Bowers and Thompson were high for Harbor with seven and six, respectively.

In the consolation game, short-handed St. Joseph never led after Saginaw reeled off 10 unanswered points in the second quarter. The Trojans, now 5-2, led 38-31 at halftime and 60-45 entering the final stanza.

St. Joe played without 6-5 forward Dale Wright, who suffered a sprained ankle Monday in the first quarter of an opening round 52-50 loss to Benton Harbor.

But Mike Tinberg, who is nursing a bad knee, replaced Wright and scored a game-high 22 points in his first varsity start. His first action of the season was Monday.

Cory Benford and Henry Follman added 12 and 10 points, respectively, as the 15th-rated Bears slipped to 6-2 on the season.

Saginaw got 21 points from center Paul Roby, plus 18 from Ivory Jones and 13 from Kenny Land. Roby and Land also had eight rebounds each as the Trojans posted a 35 to 28 advantage on the boards.

Both teams shot well, with St. Joe making 26 of 36 field goals (46 per cent) and 14 of 16 free throws (88 per cent), while Saginaw meshed 30 of 63 from the floor (48 per cent) and 16 of 23 charities (70 per cent).

St. Joe did have two more turnovers than Saginaw with 21.

"We've got to be more aggressive offensively than we've shown in these two games," noted St. Joe coach George Gaundier.

In the junior varsity portion of the tournament at Benton Harbor high school, Saginaw claimed the title with a 67-48 win over Benton Harbor.

Tony Stevenson netted 13 and Robert Dawkins 12 for the 6-1 Saginaw squad, while Ronald Page had 24 for Benton Harbor.

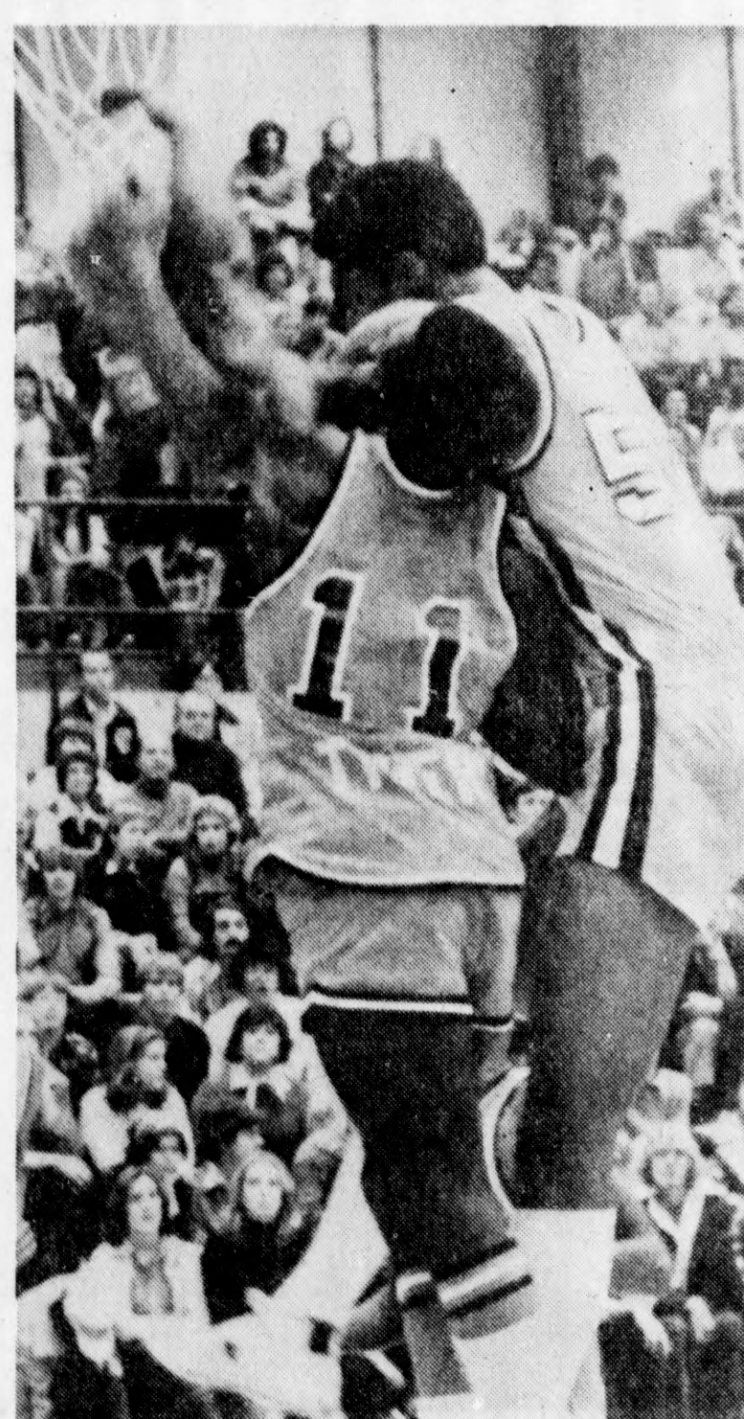
St. Joseph, now 5-3, defeated Denby 60-52 in the consolation game. Steve Ziebart scored 18 and Mike Thumm 14 for the little Bears.

Denby (72) G.F.P. B. Harbor (57) Watley, f. 11 3 Steele, f. 11 3 Bradley, f. 8 11 Green, f. 11 3 House, c. 7 6 Bowers, c. 8 0 Newman, g. 9 23 Thompson, g. 5 24 Green, g. 1 4 McKee, g. 1 02 Goss, 2 02 Joseph, 1 03 Brown, 0 0 Taylor, 0 03 Gray, 0 01 Woods, 0 02 Totals 26 16 Totals 27 32

SCORE BY QUARTERS Denby 15 10 24 23 — 72 Benton Harbor 10 16 15 16 — 57 Officials: Don Gilder (Spring Lake) and Bill Boonstra (Grand Haven).

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HARASSING HOUSE: Benton Harbor's little 5-9 Ray Thompson (11) battles for ball with Detroit Denby's Stuart House (54) Tuesday night in the championship game of the St. Joseph Holiday Tournament. House scored 20 points and pulled down 15 rebounds as Denby took the title 72-57 at the St. Joe gym. (Carl Hartman photo)

Flyer Icers Hate Islanders' Music

From Associated Press

The Philadelphia Flyers played the New York Islanders and really had to face the music.

While New York was beating Philadelphia 6-2 Tuesday night for the seventh time in their last eight National Hockey League meetings, the Flyers had to hear a chorus of "God Bless America" from the Islanders fans.

It was, of course, an insult. The crowd was mimicking Kate Smith, whose rendition of the song has been a lucky charm at the Flyers' home games.

In the other NHL games, the Chicago Black Hawks beat the California Seals 5-3 and the Vancouver Canucks stopped the Kansas City Scouts 5-2.

Bobby Nystrom scored three goals for the second time in his NHL career as the Islanders

continued their domination over the Flyers. Sparked by Nystrom's scoring and Glenn Resch's sparkling goaltending, the Islanders beat the Flyers for the third time in three meetings this season. The victory boosted the Islanders within six points of the front-running Flyers in the Patrick Division.

Stan Mikita, Cliff Koroll and J.P. Bordeleau led a balanced scoring attack with a goal and an assist each to propel Chicago over California. The Hawks, with four victories and one tie in their last five contests, broke open a close checking game late in the third period with a three-goal flurry.

Don Lever scored two goals and set up another to lead Vancouver over Kansas City. The Canucks raced to a five-goal lead in their easy victory over the outmanned Scouts.

Bruins Eyeing Historical Win

UCLA Hoping For Repeat Of 1966 Rose Bowl

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — UCLA has a date with history Thursday when the Bruins shoot for an avenging, upsetting Rose Bowl football victory over top-ranked Ohio State.

The Pacific-8 Conference co-champions have not appeared in the New Year's Day granddaddy of bowls since 1966. That was the year the Bruins fell 13-3 to Michigan State in the season's opener, then stunned the national champion Spartans 14-12 in the Rose Bowl.

The stage is set for a historical repeat. The unbeaten Buckeyes face the task of handling the Bruins a second time after thrashing them 41-20 in the fourth game of the season.

A sellout throng of more than 105,000 as well as millions more via television (NBC-TV, 5 p.m. EST) will see if the Bruins, twice beaten and once tied in 11 games, can sever Ohio State's 11-game winning spell.

Old history buff Woody Hayes, the Buckeyes' crusty 62-year-old coach, downplays the importance of UCLA's accomplishment a decade ago.

"I'll bet our kids can't name one player on the Rose Bowl teams of 1966," said Hayes. "Football players are very unhistorical."

Dick Vermeil, 39, UCLA's second-year man, thinks it's much more important that the Bruins have not appeared in the spectacle in 10 seasons. "I'm as enthusiastic as my kids. We had to tone them down at our first Rose Bowl practice they were so excited," said Vermeil, the architect of the Bruins' nationally third-

ranked total offense.

Hayes sees no complacency from his squad, appearing in its fourth straight Rose Bowl to tie a record by Southern California's teams of 1967-70.

"They're playing for a national championship. That should be plenty of motivation. This squad is more mature, a little quicker than last year," said Hayes, the fourth winningest coach of all-time.

The Buckeyes, playing in the Rose Bowl for the sixth time in eight years, dropped an 18-17 loss to Southern California in their last appearance Jan. 1.

Ohio State was pressed only once in 11 regular season victories by Michigan in the final game. The Buckeyes limited opponents to seven points a game, averaging 34 points and 400 yards themselves.

UCLA's attack rolled up 432 yards a game, but sputtered for 276 against Ohio State.

John Sciarra, the Bruins' All-American quarterback, gained nothing in 14 rushes and hit only 7 of 16 passes in the first meeting with the Buckeyes. The senior signal-caller accounted for 1,907 yards this season.

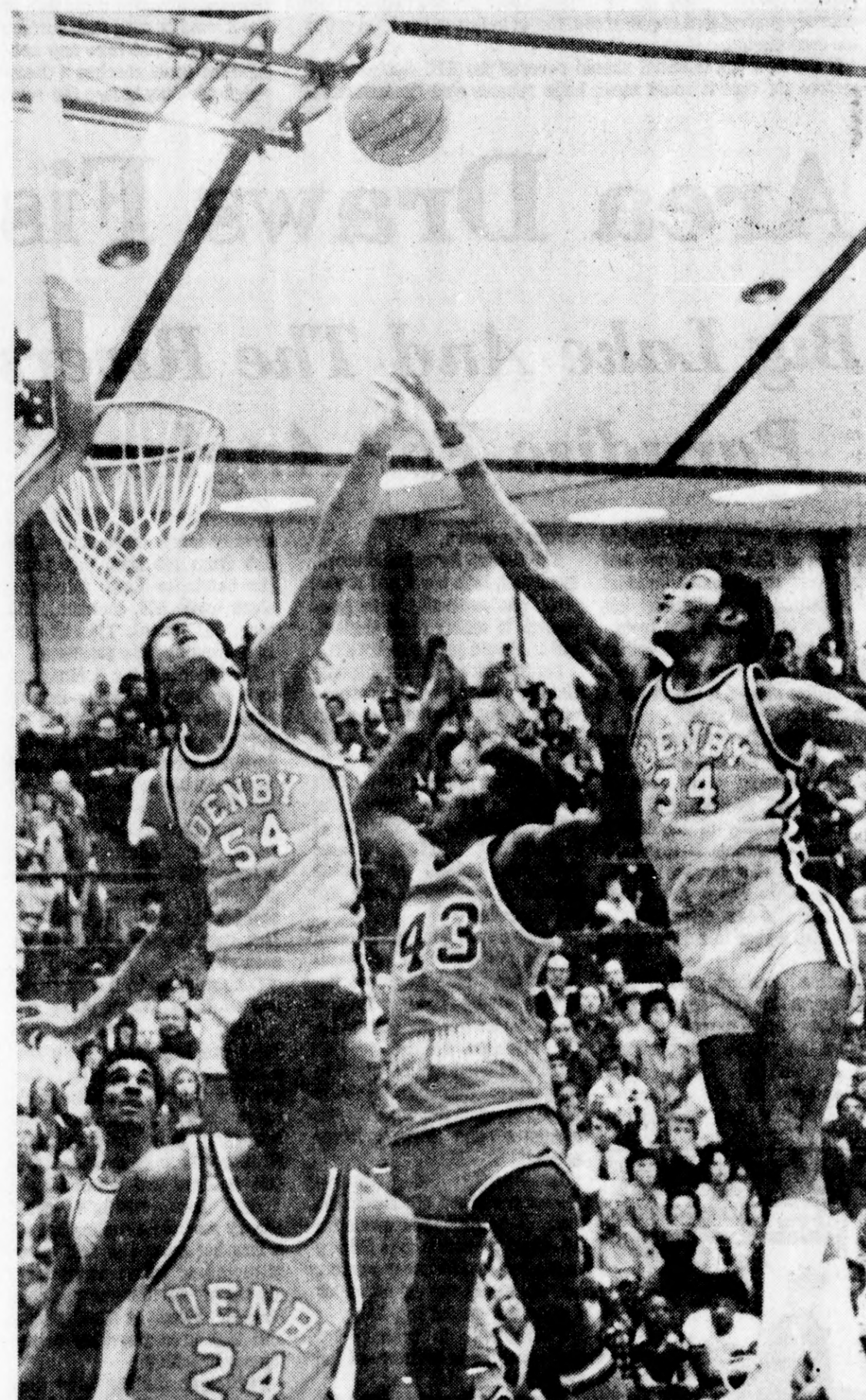
Just as Sciarra is the vital link in the Bruins' attack, so is quarterback Cornelius Greene for the Big Ten Conference titleholders.

The lithe, fleet-footed senior has run for 29 touchdowns and passed for 17 more in his three-year starting career with the Buckeyes.

Greene, the 1974 Most Valuable Player in the Rose Bowl, was awarded the same honor in the Big Ten this season.

TV Sports Schedule

THURSDAY		
2:00 p.m.	Georgia-Arkansas	Channel 2, 3, 22
4:45 p.m.	Ohio State-UCLA	Channel 5, 8, 16
7:45 p.m.	Michigan-Oklahoma	Channel 5, 8, 16
SATURDAY		
2:00 p.m.	Michigan-Northwestern	Channel 5, 8, 16
3:30 p.m.	Ford Bowling Open	Channel 7, 28
4:00 p.m.	Notre Dame-UCLA	Channel 5, 8, 16
4:30 p.m.	Indiana-Ohio State	Channel 44
8:00 p.m.	Black Hawks-Islanders	Channel 32
9:00 p.m.	Providence-DePaul	Channel 11
SUNDAY		
Noon	Soviet Wings-Sabres	Channel 32
1:00 p.m.	Steelers-Raiders	Channel 5, 8, 16
4:00 p.m.	Cowboys-Rams	Channel 2, 3, 22



TOWERING TARS: Detroit Denby's 6-11 Stuart House (54) and 6-7 Rudy Watley (34) reach over Benton Harbor's Bennie Bowers (43) in rebounding action Tuesday night in Holiday Tournament at St. Joseph gym. The other Denby player is Derrick Green (24). The Tars tripped the Tigers 72-57 in the championship game action. (Carl Hartman photo)

Spartans Fall To Hosts In Virginia Tournament

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) —

Virginia Commonwealth's Rams, led by Gerald Henderson and Tom Motley, took the lead for good late in the first half Tuesday night and won their own invitational basketball tournament with an 80-75

victory over Michigan State's Spartans. The Rams, now 6-3, went in front with 7:06 left in the first half on a field goal by Tony Holloway that made tie 25-25 and gradually built a six-point margin.

VCU's advantage ballooned to 11 points late in the game before Michigan State, led by Terry Furlow, sliced the deficit in half.

Furlow, named the tournament's most valuable player finished with 30 points for the Spartans, who shot 55.5 per cent in dropping to 4-5.

The Rams, who hit 58.5 per cent from the floor, got 11 points from Henderson, 18 from Motley and 15 each from Tony Price and Keith Highsmith.

Southern Mississippi's Golden Eagles ran up a 22-point halftime lead with 50 per cent shooting and routed CCNY's Beavers 98-65 for third place.

Michigan State (75) White 1 0 2, Chapman 2 1 2, Milton 4 2 2, Furlow 12 6 6, Kelsey 6 1 3, Wiley 0 0 0, Wilson 2 3 4, N. H. 0 0 2, Webb 1 0 2, Rivers 1 2 2, Totals 30 15 21

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH (80) Holloway 2 1 2, Henderson 9 1 3, Barnes 3 0 1, Price 7 1 1, Motley 4 10 12, Bums 0 0 0, Highsmith 5 5 7, Watson 1 0 1, Tatum 0 0 0, Totals 31 18 27

Halftime: Virginia Commonwealth 35, Michigan State 29. Fouled out: White, Chapman, Kelsey, Wilson. Total fouls: Michigan State 26, Virginia Commonwealth 20. Technical fouls: Michigan State bench, Virginia Commonwealth bench, A: 3,085.

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Jurisdiction Flap Slows Berrien Tax Valuation Appeal

Berrien county's challenge of the equalized valuation set by the state has bogged down while two state agencies continue to fight over which group has jurisdiction to hear valuation appeals.

County officials said the appeal is in a "holding pattern" while the two groups continue with a legal battle to determine which body has the final authority in tax appeals. Settlement likely is many months away, and possibly years.

The county board of commissioners in April challenged the equalized value for real property by cutting what was termed a 4½ per cent "inflation" increase from the valuation proposed by the board's own equalization committee and the county equalization department.

The State Tax Commission (STC) overruled that cut by restoring the 4½ per cent and tacking on an additional sum. The county then appealed the ruling to the State Tax Tribunal (STT), an organization established by recent legislation to provide for appeals from tax commission decisions.

In the meantime, the county was forced to assess on the basis of the valuation set by the tax commission because of a ruling by the attorney general that required counties to assess at the level set by the commission.

If the new tax tribunal should reverse the STC decision and restore the cuts it could mean huge rebates and "monumental

headaches," according to County Equalization Director Francis Rawlinson.

Although still uncertain of how the rebates would be managed, Rawlinson predicted they could be handled at the annual tax billing, with credit given on tax bills.

The hassle of the appellate process was compounded when the tax commission challenged the tax tribunal's jurisdiction, claiming the tribunal had no jurisdiction over appeals of statewide equalization. The commission contends the only right of appeal is to the court of appeals, and then only in limited situations. Asst. Prosecutor John Bruha, chief of the county's civil division, explained.

Berrien was one of some 20 counties which appealed STC decisions to the tax tribunal and Bruha noted the tribunal decided not to rule on the appeals until the jurisdiction hassle was worked out.

In late November, the tribunal denied the commission challenge by stating it does have the jurisdiction to hear the appeals, meaning the cases could now proceed, Bruha pointed out.

But another snag then surfaced as the tax commission requested the tribunal not take any action on the appeals until the state supreme court reaches a decision on cases involving tax appeals which are now before the court. Bruha said the tax tribunal in-

dedicated it would probably honor that request, and the assistant prosecutor estimated the high court decision might not come until early spring.

Rawlinson said he heard Berrien's appeal to the tribunal might not even be considered until August, and could give no prediction when the group might rule. He noted the tribunal has about 5,000 appeals before it, with only five staff personnel to handle the appeals.

The original challenge to real property valuations took the form of a city versus rural bloc among commission members when the board on April 24 voted 7 to 6 to cut a 4½ per cent inflation increase out of the real estate tax valuation.

The cut shaved \$38,554,528 from the real property valuation of \$856,787,290 proposed by the equalization department and the county's equalization committee, bringing the figure down to \$818,232,762.

Personal property remained at \$264,665,109, for a total county equalized valuation of \$1,082,897,871.

The tax commission on May 12 added \$38 million (the 4½ per cent inflation increase) to the \$818,232,762 figure adopted by the county, and tacked on another \$590,407 in real property and \$203,556 in personal property valuations.

The add-ons drew the wrath of the entire board, which claimed

the additional amounts were punitive measures for challenging the original figure.

On May 27 representatives from county government appeared before the commission in Lansing to fight the increase, citing a number of factors which county officials felt were responsible for Berrien's real estate valuation to appear higher on paper than what it actually is.

Commissioner Carl Gmiedke, of Sawyer, noted many people from large cities buy acreage (hobby farms) in Berrien county at enormous prices, paying far more than fair value. He also noted sales studies may include personal property which was included in the sales, closing costs, commissions, attorney and survey fees, and other items which are not part of the true cash value of property.

But the tax commission did not concur with Berrien's arguments, and adopted the equalized valuation which included the 4½ per cent increase plus the add-ons.

On June 19, the county board, again in a split vote, decided to appeal the commission's ruling to the tax tribunal. At the time, Prosecutor John Smetanka, who was instructed to prepare the appeal, told the board he didn't feel there was a "high probability of success" for the appeal.

The board, however, is still pursuing the appeal.

Area Draws Fishermen On National Basis

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Action centers on Lake Michigan in the spring and summer and moves to the rivers like the St. Joseph, Paw Paw, Galien, Black and Kalamazoo in the fall and winter when fish move ups-

stream to spawn.

The fishing for coho, chinook, steelhead, lake trout and brown trout has generally been good enough to satisfy most anglers, but it should get even better.

Southwestern Michigan's fishing area for these anadromous fish has been expanded with the opening of the St. Joseph River fish ladder on the Berrien Springs dam. This justifies planting more fish, which could come because of Department of Natural Resources plans to double hatchery production over the next decade.

"It deserves a lot of attention and is getting a lot of attention," says Ned Fogle of the DNR's Great Lakes division when reviewing the southwestern Michigan fishery.

"It's as good as any place in the state. We rank it very high... right at the top with the Manistee and Platte River areas."

Department of Natural Resources state statistics for 1974 put southwestern Michigan's anadromous fishery in the top five for river angling activity and in the top seven for fishing out on the Big Lake.

Fish plants in area rivers also show the importance of the fishery.

Releases this year in the St. Joseph River included 250,000 chinook, 20,000 steelhead and 15,000 brown trout. Elsewhere, plants included 5,000 steelhead in the Paw Paw; 85,000 steelhead in the Galien; 5,000 steelhead and 10,000 browns in the Black; 5,000 steelhead in the Rabbit; and 5,000 steelhead, 5,000 browns and 100,000 chinook in the Kalamazoo.

There have also been lake trout releases into Lake Michigan off Benton Harbor-St. Joseph, South Haven and Saugatuck. The plants at each area have been running at about 50,000 annually.

Not all of these fish survive. But some impressive creels have been logged.

St. Joseph charter boat captain Ken Neidlinger has

already taken more than 1,000 fish from his boat this year. His catch for Lake Michigan alone totals 994, including 513 coho, 283 lakies, 128 chinook, 12 browns and six steelhead.

His records show fishing was best on the Big Lake during April, May and June when he averaged eight fish per trip. Success dipped to three per outing during July, August and September.

A significant factor in the catch by Neidlinger, who averages 30 to 60 hours a week of fishing time, is the high number of coho, despite the fact that few are planted in area rivers.

Coho migrate to the southern end of Lake Michigan in the spring, and southwestern Michigan fishermen have the advantage of fishing the species before it starts back north in the summer for spawning runs in the fall. Neidlinger's take included 223 coho in April and 154 in May.

This past spring's coho fishery saw the development of a new hot spot. The fish were attracted to the warm water discharge of the new Cook Nuclear Plant at Bridgman, and that area provided some top-notch fishing.

Fishing on the Big Lake can be expensive, with a boat which can safely ply the waters often costing \$5,000 or more, but once the fish start up stream, they're within the capabilities of rowboat fishermen and wading anglers.

The lower St. Joseph River between the Napier bridge and Pipestone Creek provided a great river fishery for trollers this fall. And snuggers below the Berrien Springs dam took hundreds of fish during their special season.

Recreation is primary result of the fishery for most, but there is a definite financial impact also. The cost of a Great Lakes boat is a significant item by itself. Then there's the expensive gear needed to outfit the vessel.

About 10 charter boat captains also operate out of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph at a rate of \$150 per day for a party of four to six.

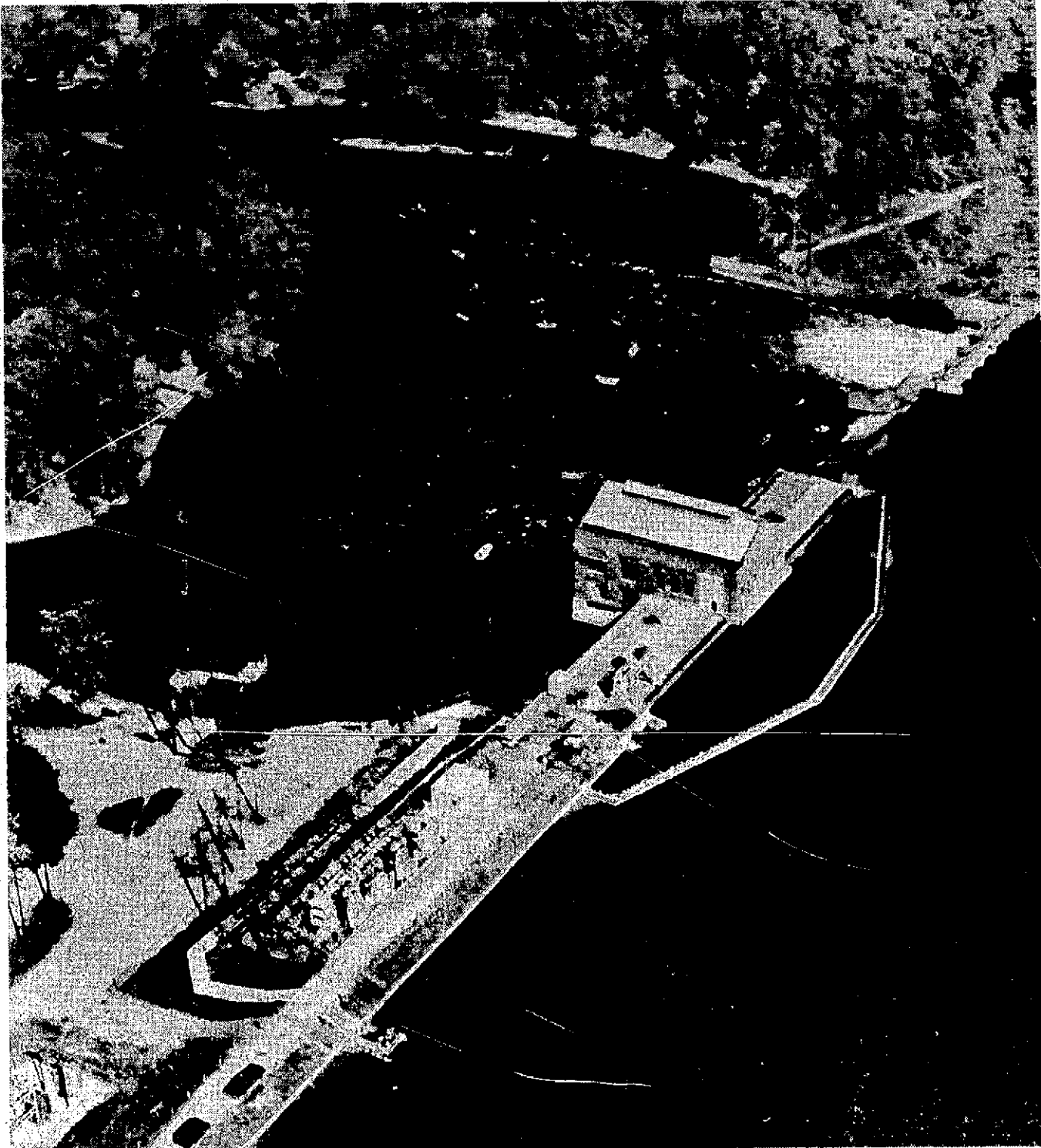
"Personally, I think it's just a look at what we've got ahead of us," says Walt Ohmstead of Stevensville when summing up the fishery.

Ohmstead, who started as a sport fisherman and as a director in the Michigan Steelhead and Salmon Fishermen's association (a group dedicated to protecting the resource) and has now become a charter captain in addition, anticipates a "lot of growth in the fishery that we have yet to see, envision or address ourselves to."

"I think we are still in pretty much the adolescence of things in almost any area. There are so many people who are just now becoming awakened to the thing and started to enjoy it."

An example of the growing awareness and interest in the fishery is seen in the forming in the past few weeks of a local chapter of the Michigan Steelhead and Salmon Fishermen's Association, which has a growing, paying membership of near 250.

It's now winter and a time for talking and meetings for many fishermen, but for those who make it a sport for all seasons, there are some hunker steelhead to be had in southwestern Michigan's major rivers now.



FISHING HOT SPOT: A southwestern Michigan hot spot for salmon and steelhead fishing is on St. Joseph River below the Berrien Springs dam. Fishing boats are seen below the dam. At the lower

left (arrows) is the new \$300,000 fish ladder which allows fish to "climb" over the dam and swim up the river as far as the Buchanan dam. (Adolph Hann aerial photo)



SALMON SNAGGING: A big part of the southwestern Michigan fishery each year is the fall snagging below the Allegan dam on the

Kalamazoo River (pictured above) and below the Berrien Springs dam on the St. Joseph River.

The New Calendar Reveals ...

The 200th birthday of the United States will fall on Sunday, July 4; the presidential election will be Tuesday, Nov. 2, and Christmas will be on Saturday in 1976.

There will be two Friday the 13ths in 1976, in February and August. Halloween will be on Sunday, Oct. 31.

Memorial day will be Monday, May 31, and Labor day will be Monday, Sept. 6. Thanksgiving will be Thursday, Nov. 25, and Christmas and New Years (1977) will be on Saturdays.

Other days and dates for 1976: Lincoln's birthday, Thursday, Feb. 12; Valentine's day, Saturday, Feb. 14, and Washington's birthday celebration is Monday, Feb. 16, for his original birthday of Sunday, Feb. 22.

Ash Wednesday will be March 3 and St. Patrick's day will be Wednesday, March 17. Palm Sunday will be April 11, Jewish Passover is Thursday, April 15; Good Friday is April 16 and Easter will be late, on April 18.

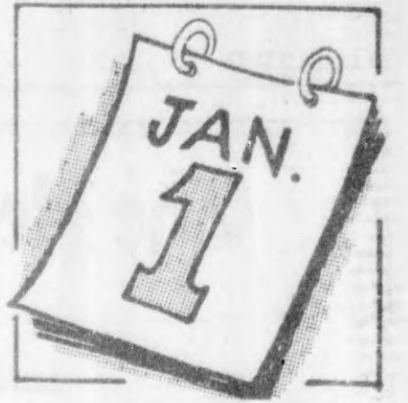
The Blossom Festival will be the week of May 2 to 8 and Mother's day will be May 9.

Armed Forces day will be Monday, May 15; Flag day will be Monday, June 14, and Father's day will be Sunday, June 20.

Columbus day will be Monday, Oct. 11, and Veterans day will be Monday, Oct. 25 although in some states, including Michigan, that day will be celebrated on Armistice day, Thursday, Nov. 11.



FORTS MERCER (N.J.) and **Mifflin (Pa.)**, erected to guard the Delaware River approach to Philadelphia, played vital roles in the Philadelphia campaign of 1777. They forced British commander-in-chief Sir William Howe to approach Philadelphia by the longer Chesapeake Bay route rather than the direct river approach. It then became difficult for him to return to the Hudson Valley in time to support the British army moving south from Canada. The World Almanac notes.



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WEATHER

Cloudy tonight and Thursday; chance of snow Thursday.

Readings from Tues. noon to Wed. noon:

12 n. 32	3 a.m. 28
6 p.m. 30	6 a.m. 27
9 p.m. 29	9 a.m. 28
12 m. 28	12 n. 30

High, 32, at noon; Low, 26 at 7 a.m.

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Midnight Will Trigger Double Celebration

By ASSOCIATED PRESS
Traditional New Year's Eve festivities will have an added touch tonight as Americans open 1976 with red, white and blue flourishes to observe their nation's 200th birthday.

For the traditionalists, band leader Guy Lombardo will conduct another chorus of "Auld Lang Syne" at New York's Waldorf Astoria ballroom — his 10th program there in nearly a half-century of New Year's Eve parties — at precisely midnight.

For others, one of the major events will be in Philadelphia, where the National Park Service will move the Liberty Bell under heavy guard from Independence Hall to an exhibition hall being built to accommodate the crowds of tourists expected during 1976.

Moving the 2,080-pound bell, bought by the people of Pennsylvania at a cost of \$303, a dis-

stance of one block will cost about \$104,000. The Park Service said the chief expense is security for the symbol of the nation's freedom.

"If it doesn't rain and it doesn't snow, we'll have in excess of 50,000 people here," said Douglas Warnock of the Park Service.

Parties are planned for New Year's Eve revelers who will view the move, including a formal dance at the U.S. Mint and a black-tie party at a local tavern.

The traditional lighted ball will drop from the tower in New York's Times Square at exactly midnight. At the same time, a 50-foot Bicentennial banner will be unfurled and hundreds of red, white and blue balloons will be released.

In the Rockies, 35 members of the Adaman Club of Colorado Springs will begin setting off more than half a ton of fireworks from the 14,110-foot summit of Pike's Peak. Officials expect the display to be visible for 100 miles. At the same time, they will hoist the flags of Colorado and the state's centennial flag over the mountain, marking the start of the nation's Bicentennial and the state's centennial.

The community of Red River, N.M., plans to celebrate the arrival of 1976 by raising its Bicentennial flag at one minute after midnight — at the summit of a 10,200-foot mountain. After the unfurling, officials plan to ski down the mountain carrying the banner.

Despite the planning, weather may force some changes. Today's forecast called for snow spreading from the Rockies into the northwestern Plains and rain, snow and freezing rain moving into New England. Showers and thundershowers were expected along the south Atlantic and eastern Gulf coasts. But rising temperatures were forecast from the middle Mississippi Valley into the southern Plains and over New England.

While most people will be spending the evening with friends or relatives or at parties, much of Fort Lauderdale's police force will be waiting for the annual riot.

For the past several years in the Florida city, young revelers, many of whom police said were celebrating with too much alcohol, have gathered along a store-lined, beach-front road. The celebrations recently have turned to vandalism.

Last year, according to police, a crowd of about 1,500 young persons battled riot-equipped officers.

"Nobody wants to stop anybody from having a good time," said a police officer.

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Notice

The Herald-Palladium will not publish tomorrow, New Year's Day.



BETH ANN GOES HOME: Beth Ann Cameron, 8, waves as she leaves Yale-New Haven Medical Center in New Haven, Conn., Tuesday in the arms of her uncle, Thomas Massey Jr. She will live in the Massey's home in East Haven, Conn. Beth Ann is the sole survivor of a truck crash in Vermont Dec. 8 which took the lives of her mother, father, and three sisters. She suffered fractures of both arms, legs, and pelvis in the crash which wiped out her family. President Gerald Ford sent her a Christmas present of doll and bracelet. (AP Wirephoto)

LaGuardia Reopens; Newcomers Skittish

NEW YORK (AP) — La Guardia Airport, scene of an explosion that killed 11 persons and injured some 75 others, is open again, but the first passengers to arrive there were

nervous about a recurrence. The first arrival was an American Airlines flight from Dallas, which landed at 10:10 p.m. Tuesday night with 90 passengers aboard. More than a

dozen flights landed within an hour, and many of the 1,400 passengers who arrived during that hour grabbed their luggage and rushed away.

"I want my bags, I want to get out," said Levada June, a singer. "I'm scared stiff. I'm terrified."

The nation's scheduled airlines offered a \$50,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the explosion.

Meanwhile, hundreds of FBI agents joined the search for the persons responsible for the "25-stick" dynamite bomb blast that left the Trans World Airlines luggage claim area a mass of rubble.

The FBI men, along with New York City police officers and firemen, spent the day reconstructing the scene and interviewing persons who may have been near when the bomb went off.

There was no indication authorities had any leads as to who may have been responsible, and they appeared to discount the numerous calls received after the blast claiming that a wide range of extremist or crime groups was responsible.

"I personally don't place too much faith in these calls," said

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Reserve your New Year Eve table at Blossomlanes. Open bowling to public New Years Eve till 3:30 a.m. Adv.



BICENTENNIAL THEME IN ROSE PARADE: Workers place some of thousands of flowers on the city of Glendale, California's float in the annual New Year's Day Tournament of Roses parade in Pasadena. The flag-carrier is done in cornflowers, gladioli, dock weed and onion seed. Theme of the parade, in its 87th year, is "America, Let's Celebrate." (AP Wirephoto)

1976 BRINGING 366 DAYS A Lot To Look Forward To

The cork pops tonight on 1976, and what a 366 days it should be!! It's Leap Year, Election Year and Bicentennial Year — all at the same time. There are hopes for an upturn in the economy, peace at home and abroad.

But much of what 1976 will be already has been shaped by 1975. The old year had its trivia, prophets of doom, violence and scandals, but it's still in good enough shape to reach the finish line tonight.

This New Year's edition of The Herald-Palladium records what

happened in southwestern Michigan in 1975. We didn't make international headlines, but people of southwestern Michigan were in the news every day — making progress, experiencing adversity and just plugging along.

Today's edition is filled with pictures and stories on Old 1975. There were many events you'll recall instantly and some that may surprise you.

A handy order blank is on this page for sending The Herald-Palladium New Year's edition to friends and relatives.

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Today's annual New Year's edition tells the story in highlight form of Southwestern Michigan during 1975. All major developments will be covered concerning the people and places that made news throughout Berrien, Van Buren, Cass and Allegan counties.

Financial Disclosure Law Under Cloud Of Uncertainty

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A cloud of controversy surrounds Michigan's new political ethics law as the year ends, with Gov. William Milliken's legal staff unsure whether some 25,000 elected and appointed officials must reveal their 1975 financial holdings.

A part of the ethics law calling for financial disclosures was to have gone into effect with the New Year, but a temporary restraining order issued Dec. 19 by an Ingham County Circuit Court judge prohibits state officials from implementing the new law until further court action.

State Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley

was ordered to file briefs on the case next month, with state Supreme Court hearings scheduled in March to review the action.

Plaintiffs in the case, which include close to a dozen individuals and organizations, claim portions of the law are unconstitutional.

Had the disclosure portion of the law gone into effect at midnight tonight as originally planned, it was feared many of the 25,000 officials might resign rather than open their books.

"It is not clear whether the first filing will be required in 1976 (for calendar year 1975) or

in 1977 (for calendar year 1976)," said a summary of the law's implications prepared by the governor's legal staff.

The summary was part a package of information sent Tuesday to close to 2,000 Milliken appointees, a governor's aide said.

The summary lists those persons who must file financial interest statements:

Elected state officials; judges; members of boards or commissions provided in the state constitutions; members of boards or commissions that examine or license a business trade or profession, determine

rates for or otherwise regulate a business, or appoint a director of a principal state department.

Also many unclassified state employees; appointed members of a state college or university governing board; elected and appointed members of boards governing community or junior colleges, and members of state authorities.

The office-holders must list business interests of themselves and their immediate families, debts, debts owed the officeholder, real estate, and gifts over \$100.

No dollar figures must be revealed except the amount of debts, the summary said.



SEARCHING FOR CLUES: Unidentified FBI agent knocks plaster down from second-floor ceiling of Trans World Airlines terminal Tuesday while searching for clues in Monday night's La Guardia airport bomb blast. Bomb exploded in baggage area of terminal without warning and reduced the area to rubble. Eleven died. (AP Wirephoto)

Beavers 'Run Away' Choice In Own Holiday Tournament

The quick Eau Claire Beavers should "run away" with their own Holiday Basketball Tournament this weekend.

The Beavers have blended overall team speed and quickness with some stingy defense for four straight wins and rate as big favorites over the rest of the field, which includes Michigan Lutheran, New Buffalo and Gobles.

In Friday night's opening

round at the Eau Claire gym, Lutheran takes on Gobles at 7 and Eau Claire meets New Buffalo at 8:30. The two winners will square off for the championship Saturday at 8:30 p.m. with the two losers clashing at 7 p.m.

New Buffalo nipped Eau Claire 44-42 on a last-second shot for the tournament championship last year. But the Bisons (1-6), who lost to Eau

Claire 70-52 earlier this month, will have to show rapid improvement to pull off the trick this time around.

"Eau Claire has to be favored...they're playing real good ball right now," states New Buffalo coach Mike Oakes.

"Their overall quickness and overall good defense hurt us in that first game. Plus Adams (Terry) hit well outside.

"We've had some pretty good

workouts during the holidays. Our inexperience has hurt. We've had little letdowns during parts of the games. Also we're looking for more scoring consistency from some players. If we get that, we'll probably be decent."

The Bisons, last in the Red Arrow standings, have double figure scorers in John Miller at 11.1 and Roger Lijewski at 10.1. Eau Claire, 4-1 overall, had Adams hitting at a 22.2 clip, Jerry McAfee 14.2 and Randy Grandberry 10.8.

"Defense has been the key to our success so far," indicates Beaver coach Dave Gray, who's team has an one-point loss to Lake Michigan Catholic to mar its record. "The fact we play good defense carries over to the offense and everything else."

"Plus the fact the kids are working well together as a team. The kids have been quite unselfish."

The Beavers, who play mostly a man-to-man defense, have allowed foes only an average of 55.0 points over the last four games.

Michigan Lutheran (2-4) will also be seeking revenge as the Titans dropped their season opener (60-53) to Gobles (3-2).

Lutheran puts four players in twin figures with Bob Guse at 14.2, Randy Wolf 11.0, Mark Briney 10.8 and John Brink 10.7. Wolf, recently elevated from the junior varsity squad, didn't play in the first game against Gobles.

The Tigers, tied for fourth place in the Southwestern Athletic Association, has only Bryan Clement in double digits at 10.2.

All tickets at the door are priced at \$1.50.

There will also be a junior varsity tournament held on the same days. On Friday, New Buffalo plays Michigan Lutheran at 2 p.m. and Gobles meets Eau Claire at 3:30 p.m. The championship tilt is slated for 3:30 p.m. Saturday and consolation game at 2 p.m.

There will be a total of five other area games this weekend with all of the non-conference variety. The top clash will send unbeaten Buchanan against Berrien Springs Friday night at the Buck gym.

Unbeaten Rebels Top Foul-Prone Michigan

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Michigan basketball Coach Johnny Orr almost led his team off the floor in disgust Tuesday night before the conclusion of the Wolverines' 108-94 loss to unbeaten, 10th-ranked Nevada-Las Vegas in the finals of the Las Vegas Holiday classic.

Orr's point of contention was the official in the foul-marred game.

Michigan was whistled for 25

personal fouls and 30 turnovers during the evening, high for the season in both categories. The home team was called for 13 personals and 22 turnovers.

Michigan had one more field goal and three more rebounds than the taller and more physical Rebels, but UNLV made 24 of 28 free throws while the Wolverines hit eight of 12.

Michigan was also called for three technical fouls.

"I actually thought about taking my team off the floor at one point in the second half and not letting play continue," Orr said. "But what good would that do? We just had to let it go. The thing to do is just not come back again."

The victory was the 12th straight this year for the Rebels, their seventh game in a row with more than 100 points and their 30th consecutive win at home. It was their first win ever against a Big Ten team.

Michigan, rated 17th prior to the game, is now 6-2 and must prepare for a stretch of five Big Ten games in 10 days, beginning Saturday at Northwestern.

"Make no mistake — Nevada-Las Vegas is a very good team, probably one of the very best in the country," Orr continued. "But its really hard to believe something like that could happen in the United States."

The team's traded baskets for the first 15 minutes and the score was 40-40 before the fouls started taking their toll. The Las Vegas team spurted to a 50-46 halftime lead, thanks to a 10-2 edge on the free throw line.

The Rebels tallied 12 of the next 14 points to take command 62-48 in the first three minutes of the second half and eventually led by as many as 22 points.

Wolverine captain Wayman Britt picked up a double technical and was ejected from the game. Guard Steve Grote was awarded Michigan's other technical.

UNLV placed six players in double figures. Junior forward Eddie Owens, who was named the tournament's most valuable player, led the way with 32 points, including eight for eight at the free throw line.

Guard Robert Smith, also eight for eight at the line, fired in 20 points. He and forward Jackie Robinson, who scored 12, joined Owens on the all-tournament team.

Rickey Green tallied 20 points to pace the Wolverines and was the lone Michigan representative on the all-tourney squad. John Robinson netted 18, Dave Baxter and Grote added 12 each and Phil Hubbard contributed ten points and a game high of 14 rebounds.

Otis Birdsong was also named to the all tournament team, after scoring 26 points in Houston's 90-87 consolation victory over LaSalle.

SPORTS CAPSULES

BASEBALL
WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Little League baseball officials rescinded the rule banning foreign teams from the Little League World Series.

HOCKEY
LANDOVER, Md. — Max McNab, president of the Central Hockey League, was named general manager of the National Hockey League Washington Capitals, succeeding Milt Schmidt, who was forced to resign.

SOUTH YARMOUTH, Mass. — The Cape Codders of the North American Hockey League folded due to lack of funds.

CLEVELAND — The Cleveland Crusaders of the World Hockey Association traded left wing Lyle Moffat and future considerations to the Winnipeg Jets for defenseman Randy Legge.

TENNIS
MELBOURNE, Australia — John Newcombe defeated Jan Kukal of Czechoslovakia 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 in the Australian Open Tennis Championships.

FOOTBALL
CARBONDALE, Ill. — Roy Dempsey was named head football coach at Southern Illinois University.

Elk 'Hoop Shoot' Contest Saturday

The Benton Harbor Elks 544 Hoop Shoot contest will be held beginning at noon Saturday at the Fairplain Junior High School Gym. Boys and girls will compete in three categories. Age brackets are eight nine year olds, 10 and 11 year olds and 12 and 13 year olds. A boy and girls winner will be selected in each bracket.

The contestants are allowed 10

minutes to warm up and then draw for their shooting position. Each contestant shoots 25 shots with the winner based on accuracy. In case of a tie, five addition shots are taken.

The winners will advance to the district finals Jan. 10 at Three Rivers.

For further information call Jack Mucia after 5 p.m. at 925-7670.

LMC Winner In OT

DETROIT — Lake Michigan College overcame a 33-point performance by Schoolcraft's Ricky Young to post a 90-86 overtime victory here Tuesday night.

After a sluggish first half, the Indians, now 3-7 overall, outscored their foes 44-34 in the second half to tie the ball game at 86 apiece.

LMC had a chance to ice the game in regulation time but a shot by St. Joseph's Bernie Christopher failed to fall.

Christopher, Kerry Lee and Albert hit buckets for the Indians as they outscored Schoolcraft 6-2 in the extra

period. Lee led LMC with 25 points while John Taylor had 22 points, Albert 12 and Al Sanders 11.

The Indians' next game is Saturday, Jan. 3, against Olive-Harvey at home.

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Taylor	10 20	Young	16 13
Chids	4 05	Trowbridge	7 02
Christopher	3 01	Oison	3 12
Reynolds	0 00	Kallman	1 12
Sanders	5 11	Strickland	2 41
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Willis	0 02		
Moore	2 00		
Thomas	1 01		
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LMC	Schoolcraft
SCORE BY HALVES	40 44 6-90
	50 34 2-86

Class B Cage List Familiar South Haven Among Prep Hopefuls

From Associated Press
Class B high school basketball power in Michigan will be a well mixed bag of traditional names and new faces.

River Rouge, Muskegon Heights, Holland Christian, those names are as common in the state Class B record book as on letterheads of their own schools.

And they again represent some quality teams.

But some less familiar faces will be looking out from Flint Beecher, Royal Oak Shrine, Saginaw Buena Vista, South Haven and Spring Lake, eyeing some state recognition.

Flint Beecher may have the happiest face of all. Returning

its top six players, Beecher beat Class A teams all summer, then opened its season by nipping Buena Vista by one point at Saginaw. Beecher is unbeaten.

Bryan Rison and a front line of 6-5 James Smith, 6-6 Tony Flarney and 6-5 Ray Pitts head the Beecher attack.

Flint Powers has only losses to Beecher and Class A Flint Northwestern on its record.

Buena Vista is eight or nine players deep, led by 6-5 Michael Ploeden, a 15-point, 15 rebounds per game man.

Also in the Saginaw area, unbeaten Swan Valley returns all five starters led by 6-4 center John Schuster.

River Rouge, playing its traditionally tough schedule, probably is the class team from the Detroit area but is pursued closely by several tough teams, including Royak Oak Shrine, led by 6-4 guard John Wrangler, Southgate Aquinas, Detroit Lutheran West and Ecorse.

In mid-Michigan, a surprising unbeaten St. Johns and Holt look like the powers.

On the western side of the state, always a Class B hotbed, a power is growing down south. South Haven, supposedly in the midst of a rebuilding program with only three seniors on its team, has jumped off to a 7-0 start.

Muskegon Heights and

Holland Christian both are off to winning seasons, but might be upstaged by a couple of other teams from Lake Michigan's shoreline. Muskegon Catholic Central just might edge out the Heights, led by all state candidate Jeff Brown.

And Spring Lake boasts a veteran lineup led by 6-4 Ted Tescorla and his 22 per game average.

Muskegon Catholic, by the way, handed Spring Lake one of its two losses. Undeclared Class A power Grand Haven gave them the other. Jenison is another western Michigan team to watch, while Cadillac leads a generally thin power structure of northern Class B teams.



COFFMAN CONNECTS: University of Michigan's Mike Coffman (15) watches his shot slip past Michigan Tech's goalie John Rockwell (1) for the Wolverines' second goal in Tuesday night's Great

Lakes Invitational championship game in Detroit. Michigan's Dave Debol (12) blocks out Tech's Jeff Wilcox (5) on the play. The Wolverines went on to win, 6-5. (AP Wirephoto)

Hogs. Confident Of Win

DALLAS (AP) — "When someone tells you right out that they're going to beat you," confessed Georgia quarterback Matt Robinson, "then it becomes a personal challenge."

"It's really amazing that a team should have that much confidence," added teammate Ben Zambiasi, a linebacker, also touching on perhaps the most unique aspect of the 40th Cotton Bowl.

"I guess those comments will help us get up. We've been underdogs all year long."

He and Robinson spoke out in response to declarations of near invincibility by their New Year's Day foe, the supremely confident Arkansas Razorbacks.

Not since the national champion Texas Longhorns hit town five years ago has a Southwest Conference club displayed such a degree of confidence that it borders on brashness.

"We knew we were going to

beat Texas A&M so it was no big deal," Arkansas running back Ike Forte said of the Hogs' stunning verdict over the then unbeaten No. 2 ranked Aggies in the season finale.

"Do you know you're going to beat Georgia?" asked a writer flippantly.

"Yes," said Forte, pausing not a moment in replying.

Then this from Arkansas quarterback Scott Bull: "I felt from Day One that our running game was going to be the best

in the conference and possibly in the nation."

Hog nose guard Mike Campbell, referring to the Bulldogs' heft: "Nobody's size bothers me anymore. I'd rather some big guy block on me than some fiery little guard."

Linebacker Hal McAfee: "I have all the confidence in the world that we can go out and win it. This confidence has built... It's multiplied. It's got greater and greater."

"At the first of the season I

couldn't make a statement like that. Now it doesn't seem out of line to say such a thing at all."

Randy Johnson, the Bulldogs' All-America offensive guard, politely fielded questions about the topic, then observed: "We apparently respect them more than they respect us."

But, he added:

"I'm glad they feel that strongly. I feel it will help us. Maybe they're overconfident... And we don't have anything to lose if they feel that way."

EMU Beaten By Free Throws

MACOMB, Ill. (AP) — Western Illinois University's skill at the free throw line proved the decisive factor Tuesday as Western beat Eastern Michigan 89-76 in nonconference basketball.

Eastern Michigan, paced by

forward Bob Riddles' personal records of 33 points and 18 rebounds, actually scored more field goals, 36-35, but Western's 19 points at the charity line compared to only four for Eastern was the margin.

Western led the entire game,

holding a 45-31 edge at halftime.

Western had four players in two figures, Allen Hudgins with 22, Tom Fowlkes, 17, Brad Bainter, 16 and Bill Harris 12.

Dan Hoff added 13 and Jim Person put in another 10 for Eastern Michigan.

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PLAZA RIVERVIEW DRIVE

Does Sooners' QB Davis Have Divine Connection?

MIAMI (AP) — Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer, his tongue firmly planted in his cheek, says he has one big advantage over Michigan in the Orange Bowl football game Thursday night. "I think (senior quarterback) Steve Davis being an ordained Baptist minister gives us a connection — the pipeline he's got," said Switzer, his eyes rolling toward the heavens during Tuesday's coaches luncheon.

Michigan Coach Bo Schembechler, who'll have freshman Rick Leach leading the Wolverines, confirmed, "He's (Leach) not only giving up three years of experience, but divine right. "I don't know if any other freshman quarterback has been able to take a team into a game like the Orange Bowl," added Schembechler in a more serious vein. Leach led Michigan to an average of almost 28 points a game, but both coaches indicated

Michigan's defense was the key.

"We believe in defense because we think you can win defensively easier than you can offensively," said Schembechler, whose 8-1-2 Wolverines have allowed only 215 yards and 10.5 points a game.

"This is the finest defense, regardless of size, we've ever played against at Oklahoma," said Switzer of Michigan's smaller defenders.

Switzer drew "oohs" when he gave the size of his offensive line, ranging from 287 pounds to 290, and got laughter when he insisted, "Size doesn't have a darn thing to do with it, I'm telling you that."

Both coaches praised the matchup, with Schembechler saying, "We may have lost the conference ... but we darn sure won

the opponent."

Michigan, ranked fifth, got into the game after losing the Big Ten title 21-14 to Ohio State. The victory put No. 1 Ohio State in the Rose Bowl against UCLA, a team it beat 41-20 in the regular season.

"I'm extremely pleased to be here and you should be pleased too," said Schembechler. "After all you came darn close to getting Woody Hayes."

"Bo, I want to say this — I wish Woody was here," said Switzer of No. 3 Oklahoma (10-1). "The best team in the Big Ten is in Miami, not in Pasadena. You (Orange Bowl) have the two finest football teams in your game, not only this year, but for the last three years."

Oklahoma, coming off NCAA probation, hasn't played in a

bowl game for three years despite a 31-1-1 record under Switzer. Michigan was 38-3-3 the past four years and Big Ten co-champions with Ohio State in 1972-74, but the Buckeyes were given the Rose Bowl nod all three years.

"These youngsters we brought down here are representing three years of frustration ... against what we consider the most formidable opponent we could have," said Schembechler.

Switzer said, "Every night I go home, I get down on my knees and pray thanks that this is one game 'Bear' Bryant couldn't manipulate."

Alabama's Bryant has been criticized for allegedly picking his bowl opponents, including Penn State for tonight's Sugar Bowl game.

Host Bears Fall In Tourney Consolation No. 1 Denby Tops Tigers

By JOHN VANDEN HEIDE
Sports Editor

Detroit Denby has bolstered its new No. 1 state ranking by capturing the fourth annual St. Joseph Holiday Tournament.

The unbeaten Tars rolled to their seventh straight victory behind 6-11 all-state candidate Stuart House by downing Benton Harbor 72-57 in the title tilt Tuesday night at the St. Joe gym.

Host St. Joseph lost 76-66 to Saginaw, ranked No. 10 this week in the first United Press International Class A poll, in the consolation game.

House, who scored 29 in Denby's opening round, 67-65 triumph over Saginaw Monday night, had 20 points and a game-high 15 rebounds Tuesday.

Denby, which rallied from a

26-25 halftime deficit, also got 20 points from guard James Newman and 17 tallies from forward Ray Bradley.

Benton Harbor's Russell Steele took game scoring honors with 22 points, and Bennie Bowers and Ray Thompson added 16 and 12 points, respectively, but the 3-4 Tigers were downed by poor shooting.

Benton Harbor made just 33 per cent of its field goals (27 of 83) and free throws (three of nine).

"We didn't take too many bad shots," commented Tiger coach Earl McKee. "Those shots go in for us some times. In the third and fourth quarters when the game was tight, if the ball had dropped in instead of bouncing around on the rim, it might have been close."

Meanwhile, Denby hit a blis-

tering 58 per cent of its field goals (28 of 50), including an unbeatable 64 per cent the last two quarters. The Tars also mashed 16 of 25 free throws (64 per cent).

"That's the way we shoot. 'We don't have any problem with presses,' continued Shannon. "I'm serious," declared

Denby coach Robert Shannon on his squad's second half sharpshooting.

Denby broke up the tight game in the third quarter by getting through Benton Harbor's press for some easy baskets. Bradley scored 14 points in the period by making seven of eight shots.

"We had to put pressure on them to beat them," added McKee while not faulting his players for Denby's decisive scoring spurt. (Denby had 30 turnovers, compared to Harbor's 17.)

Denby played a hell of a game. We had pressure all over the place and they handled it. I can't knock my kids for that. I thought we played a hustling game."

"Most teams don't even attempt to press us."

Benton Harbor had also hoped to get a running game going, but as McKee stated: "We didn't run well...we didn't get the ball out well."

Shannon also thought stopping the Tiger fast break was a key to the outcome. "I saw them against Detroit Southeastern, and they ran Southeastern right out of the gym," he recalled. "I was really worried about Benton Harbor's fast break. But I think we did a super job of cutting off their fast break."

Shannon concluded by saying his team's slow start could have been caused by playing on St. Joe's large floor. He said Denby plays in "cracker box" gyms back in Detroit. "We spread it (the offense) out much too far," he said. "It took us a half yesterday to get adjusted against a man-to-man defense, and it took us a half today against the zone."

Denby also finished with a commanding 44 to 29 rebounding advantage, with 5-7 Rudy Watley adding 10 to House's game-high 15. Bowers and Thompson were high for Harbor with seven and six, respectively.

In the consolation game, short-handed St. Joseph never led after Saginaw receded off 10 unanswered points in the second quarter. The Trojans, now 5-2, led 38-31 at halftime and 60-45 entering the final stanza.

St. Joe played without 6-5 forward Dale Wright, who suffered a sprained ankle Monday in the first quarter of an opening round 62-50 loss to Benton Harbor.

But Mike Tinberg, who is nursing a bad knee, replaced Wright and scored a game-high 22 points in his first varsity start. His first action of the season was Monday.

Cory Bonford and Henry Folman added 12 and 10 points, respectively, as the 15th-ranked Bears slipped to 6-2 on the season.

Saginaw got 21 points from center Paul Roby, plus 18 from Ivory Jones and 13 from Keny Land. Roby and Land also had eight rebounds each as the Trojans posted a 35 to 28 advantage on the boards.

Both teams shot well, with St. Joe making 26 of 56 field goals (46 per cent) and 14 of 16 free throws (88 per cent), while Saginaw meshed 30 of 63 from the floor (48 per cent) and 16 of 23 charities (70 per cent).

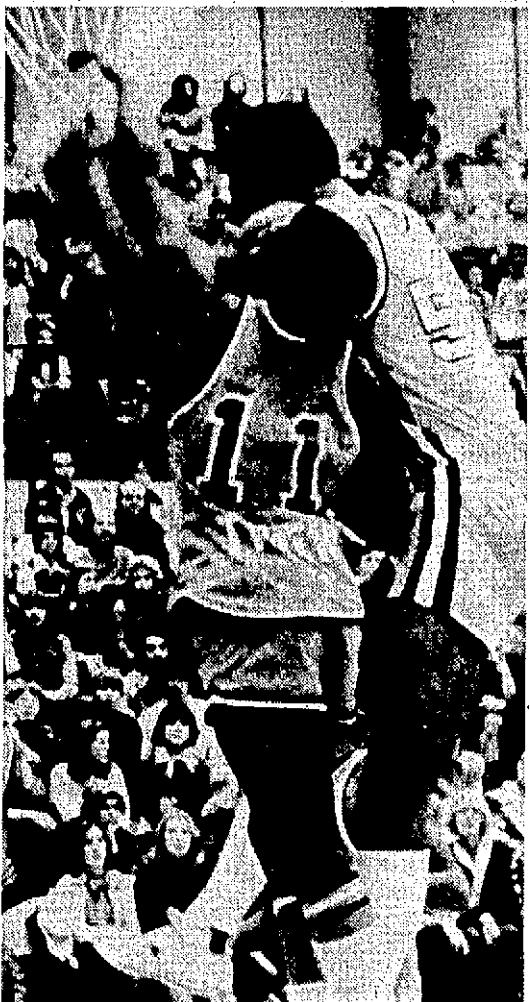
St. Joe did have two more turnovers than Saginaw with 21.

"We've got to be more aggressive offensively than we've shown in these two games," noted St. Joe coach George Gaund.

In the junior varsity portion of the tournament at Benton Harbor high school, Saginaw claimed the title with a 67-48 win over Benton Harbor.

Tony Stevenson netted 13 and Robert Dawkins 12 for the 8-1 Saginaw squad, while Ronald Page had 24 for Benton Harbor.

St. Joseph, now 5-3, defeated Denby 60-52 in the consolation game. Steve Ziebart scored 18 and Mike Thumm 14 for the little Bears.



HARASSING HOUSE: Benton Harbor's little 5-9 Ray Thompson (11) battles for ball with Detroit Denby's Stuart House (54) Tuesday night in the championship game of the St. Joseph Holiday Tournament. House scored 20 points and pulled down 15 rebounds as Denby took the title 72-57 at the St. Joe gym. (Carl Hartman photo)

Bruins Eyeing Historical Win UCLA Hoping For Repeat Of 1966 Rose Bowl

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — UCLA has a date with history Thursday when the Bruins shoot for an avenging, upsetting Rose Bowl football victory over top-ranked Ohio State.

The Pacific-8 Conference champions have not appeared in the New Year's Day granddaddy of bowls since 1966. That was the year the Bruins fell 13-3 to Michigan State in the season's opener, then stunned the national champion Spartans 14-12 in the Rose Bowl.

The stage is set for a historical repeat. The unbeaten Bruins face the task of handling the Bruins a second time after thrashing them 41-20 in the fourth game of the season.

A sellout throng of more than 105,000 as well as millions more via television (NBC-TV, 5 p.m. EST) will see if the Bruins, twice beaten and once tied in 11 games, can sever Ohio State's 11-game winning spell.

Old history buff Woody Hayes, the Buckeyes' crusty 62-year-old coach, downplays the importance of UCLA's accomplishment a decade ago.

"I'll bet our kids can't name one player on the Rose Bowl teams of 1966," said Hayes. "Football players are very unholistic."

Dick Vermeil, 39, UCLA's second-year man, thinks it's much more important that the Bruins have not appeared in the spectacle in 10 seasons. "I'm as enthusiastic as my kids. We had to tone them down at our first Rose Bowl practice they were so excited," said Vermeil, the architect of the Bruins' nationally third-

ranked total offense.

Hayes sees no complacency from his squad, appearing in its fourth straight Rose Bowl to tie a record by Southern California's teams of 1967-70.

"They're playing for a national championship. That should be plenty of motivation. This squad is more mature, a little quicker than last year," said Hayes, the fourth winningest coach of all-time.

The Buckeyes, playing in the Rose Bowl for the sixth time in eight years, dropped an 18-17 loss to Southern California in their last appearance Jan. 1.

Ohio State was pressed only once in 11 regular season victories by Michigan in the final game. The Buckeyes limited opponents to seven points a game, averaging 34 points and 400 yards themselves.

UCLA's attack rolled up 432 yards a game, but sputtered for 276 against Ohio State.

John Sclarr, the Bruins' All-American quarterback, gained nothing in 14 rushes and hit only 7 of 18 passes in the first meeting with the Buckeyes. The senior signal-caller accounted for 1,907 yards this season.

Just as Sclarr is the vital link in the Bruins' attack, so is quarterback Cornelius Greene for the Big Ten Conference titlholders.

The little, fleet-footed senior has run for 29 touchdowns and passed for 17 more in his three-year starting career with the Buckeyes.

Greene, the 1974 Most Valuable Player in the Rose Bowl, was awarded the same honor in the Big Ten this season.

Flyer Icers Hate Islanders' Music

From Associated Press

The Philadelphia Flyers played the New York Islanders and really had to face the music.

While New York was beating Philadelphia 6-2 Tuesday night for the seventh time in their last eight National Hockey League meetings, the Flyers had to hear a chorus of "God Bless America" from the Islanders fans.

It was, of course, an insult. The crowd was mimicking Kate Smith, whose rendition of the song has been a lucky charm at the Flyers' home games.

In the other NHL games, the Chicago Black Hawks beat the California Seals 5-3 and the Vancouver Canucks stopped the Kansas City Scouts 5-2.

Bobby Nystrom scored three goals for the second time in his NHL career as the Islanders

continued their domination over the Flyers. Sparked by Nystrom's scoring and Glenn Resch's sparkling goaltending, the Islanders beat the Flyers for the third time in three meetings this season. The victory boosted the Islanders within six points of the front-running Flyers in the Patrick Division.

Stan Mikita, Cliff Koroll and J.P. Bouchard led a balanced scoring attack with a goal and an assist each to propel Chicago over California. The Hawks, with four victories and one tie in their last five contests, broke open a close checking game late in the third period with a three-goal flurry.

Don Lever scored two goals and set up another to lead Vancouver over Kansas City. The Canucks raced to a five-goal lead in their easy victory over the outmanned Scouts.

Denby (72)	B. Harbor (57)
Watley, 11	Steele, 22
Watley, 10	Steele, 22
House, 15	Bowers, 16
Newman, 17	Thompson, 12
Greene, 14	McKee, 12
Goss, 2	Johnson, 1
Brown, 0	Taylor, 0
Gray, 0	Woods, 0
Totals	27 32

SCORE BY QUARTERS	Denby	B. Harbor
1st	15	10
2nd	10	16
3rd	16	16
4th	16	16
Totals	57	52

Denby (72)	St. Joseph (60)
Jones, 13	Ziebart, 18
Glass, 0	Tinberg, 22
Roby, 9	Folman, 10
Burton, 3	Thompson, 12
Kelly, 2	Collier, 1
Peterson, 0	Dawkins, 1
Land, 1	Ross, 2
Wright, 0	Kline, 0
Gray, 0	Reynolds, 0
Williams, 0	Werner, 1
Totals	24 28

SCORE BY QUARTERS	Denby	St. Joseph
1st	12	10
2nd	10	16
3rd	16	16
4th	16	16
Totals	54	58

Officials: Cliff Anderson (Benton Harbor) and Wally Wrench (Kalamazoo).



TOWERING TARS: Detroit Denby's 6-11 Stuart House (54) and 6-7 Rudy Watley (43) reach over Benton Harbor's Bennie Bowers (43) in rebounding action Tuesday night in Holiday Tournament at St. Joseph gym. The other Denby player is Derrick Green (24). The Tars tripped the Tigers 72-57 in the championship game action. (Carl Hartman photo)

Spartans Fall To Hosts In Virginia Tournament

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia Commonwealth's Rams, led by Gerald Henderson and Tom Motley, took the lead for good late in the first half Tuesday night and won their own invitational basketball tournament with an 80-75 victory over Michigan State's Spartans.

The Rams, now 6-3, went in front with 7:06 left in the first half on a field goal by Tony Holloway that made the 25-25 and gradually built a six-point margin.

VCU's advantage ballooned to 11 points late in the game before Michigan State, led by Terry Furrow, sliced the deficit in half.

Furrow, named the tournament's most valuable player, finished with 30 points for the Spartans, who shot 55.5 per cent in dropping to 4-5.

The Rams, who hit 58.5 per cent from the floor, got 19 points from Henderson, 18 from Motley and 15 each from Tie Price and Keith Highsmith.

Southern Mississippi's Golden Eagles ran up a 22-point halftime lead with 50 per cent shooting and routed CCNY's Beavers 98-65 for third place.

Michigan State (75)
White 10-22, Chapman 21-25, Milton 4-22, Furrow 12-28, Kester 6-13, Wilson 0-0-0, Wilson 2-3-7, Hix 0-0-2, Webb 1-0-2, Rivers 1-2-4, Totals 30-52.

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH (80)
Holloway 7-12, Henderson 9-13, 19, Barnes 3-6-6, Price 1-1-5, Motley 4-10-12, Blinn 0-0-0, Highsmith 5-7-15, Wilson 1-0-2, Tolson 0-0-0, Totals 31-57.

Halftime: Virginia Commonwealth 35, Michigan State 29. Fouled out: White, Chapman, Kester, Wilson. Total fouls: Michigan State 26, Virginia Commonwealth 26. Technical fouls: Michigan State bench, Virginia Commonwealth bench. A: 2,085.

TV Sports Schedule		
THURSDAY		
2:00 p.m.	Georgia-Arkansas	Channel 2, 3, 22
4:45 p.m.	Ohio State-UCLA	Channel 5, 8, 16
7:45 p.m.	Michigan-Oklahoma	Channel 5, 8, 16
SATURDAY		
2:00 p.m.	Michigan-Northwestern	Channel 5, 8, 16
4:30 p.m.	Ford Bowling Open	Channel 7, 28
7:30 p.m.	Noire Dame-UCLA	Channel 5, 8, 16
8:00 p.m.	Indiana-Ohio State	Channel 44
8:00 p.m.	Black Hawks-Islanders	Channel 32
8:00 p.m.	Providence-DePaul	Channel 11
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Were it left to me to decide whether we should have government without newspapers or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate to prefer the latter. — Thomas Jefferson.

The New And The Old As The Poets See Them

The poets sing of the seasons cheerfully, for the most part. They write of Spring in gay and hopeful mood. Winter they find cold but invigorating. Summer's sun does not intimidate them, and Autumn inspires in them a pleasant melancholy. But only a few have seen anything happy about the New Year, while for the dying Old Year they chant naught but mournful dirges.

Shelley wept:

Orphan hours, the year is dead,
Come and sigh, come and weep!
And Tennyson commanded:
Toll ye the church bell sad and slow,
And tread softly and speak low,
For the old year lies a-dying.

Timothy Cole was merely thankful that things had not been worse. With an almost audible sigh he wrote:

Full happy is the man who comes at last
Into the safe completion of his year.

Slightly more cheerful were the bards when they turned to the new year. "This year is dying in the night; ring out, wild bells, and let him die,"

Tennyson recommended, but for him the departure was wholesome: "Ring out the false, ring in the true." Tennyson's wild bells would:

Ring in the valiant man and free,
the largest heart, the kindest hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

For Dickens, "The New Year, like an infant heir to the whole world, was waited for, with welcomes, presents and rejoicings."

Probably Horatio Nelson Powers came nearest to the traditional concept of the new year. With lyric grace he wrote reassuringly:

A wondrous fountain yet unsealed;
A casket with its gifts concealed—
This is the Year that for you waits
Beyond tomorrow's mystic gates.

Most of us face each new year with hope undiminished by disappointing experience. For it is faith which sustains us through the vicissitudes of life, the faith that "beyond tomorrow's mystic gates" there lie happier days. And so they do!

Congressmen Deserve Credit For MIA Action

From a practical standpoint, there is little chance that any of the 1,300 American servicemen listed as missing in action during the Vietnam War ever will return home alive. But as long as there is any chance at all, or until nearly all of those 1,300 have been accounted for, their families will ponder their fate, and hope and try to find more information in whatever way they can.

That some progress in this direction is possible has been proven by the four congressmen, under the leadership of Rep. G. V. Montgomery of Mississippi, who went to Hanoi on their own initiative to seek answers. They brought home with them the bodies of three servicemen, two of whom were listed officially as missing in action.

More promising to the rest of the

1,300 MIA families was the report from the congressmen that they found North Vietnamese officials cooperative and willing to help — the first time such an attitude had been shown on the MIA question. But — and it could be a major stumbling block — the North Vietnamese also mentioned reconstruction aid from the United States.

Just what they have in mind and how closely the aid request is tied to future cooperative efforts on the MIA quest is not yet clear. At least the congressmen deserve credit for getting results where none were forthcoming before.

The road to the end of the MIA search remains a long one, but the opening achieved by Montgomery and his colleagues should be pursued thoroughly.

Jog In Place A Little Before Shoveling Snow

Considering that much of the nation already has experienced a seasonal workout on snow shovels, advice on how to handle the white stuff is timely. From Professor Paul Lessack, director of cardiac prevention and rehabili-

tation at Rutgers University Medical School, comes advice which ought to cover a large segment of the population.

If you are over 40, out of shape or not physically active, leave the shovel inside. Before venturing outside in the cold at all, says Lessack, it is a good idea to get the heart muscle working a little faster by jogging in place or doing a few calisthenics.

But if you must shovel snow, treat the job with respect. It is not a challenge to see how fast walkways can be cleaned.

"Don't try to knock yourself out," Lessack cautions. "Take frequent rests from shoveling and don't try to carry big piles of snow a long distance."

In addition to his cardiac specialty, Lessack also is "human performance coach" for a professional football team. He knows a good bit about physical conditioning and he isn't impressed with what he sees. By his physical standards, only about 20 percent of the professional athletes in the United States measure up.

As for the general, middle-aged population — Lessack estimates only about 4 percent are physically fit. Meaning a large number of people who shovel snow should proceed with extreme caution.

Confinement Needed

During recesses, most legislative bodies should be kept in to catch up on their unfinished business.

All Ready For The Big Party!



EDITOR'S MAILBAG

WRITER PROTESTS SOME AUCTION ITEMS

This letter is written in regards to the legal notice on page 29 and 30 of Dec. 26 edition of this newspaper.

For those who did not happen to read it, this was a notice of a public auction of stolen properties in possession of the Allegan County Sheriff's department, to be held at the Allegan County fairgrounds at 10 a.m. Dec. 30th.

There were approximately 375 listed items, of which approximately 285 were of a common nature and could be sold to anyone.

However, of the approximately 90 other articles, 76 were of a nature that should not be sold to just anyone. These consisted of numerous knives, several jack handles, crowbars, long bladed screw drivers, high-powered rifle shells, shotgun shells, 38 cal. shells, 22 cal. shells etc.

This leaves 14 items listed for sale to the public (anyone). These I am sure any normal individual would determine to be potential dangerous weapons. They are as follows: 2 switchblades, 1 hand-made weapon of blue steel, 30 inches long, one very large knife, 2 throwing daggers, 1 stick with razor-blade attached, 1 sabre knife, 1 mini-ball bat with spikes in the end, 1 handle with chain attached, 2 machetes, 1 wood handle whip and 1 12-inch knife with taped handle. Also listed were 2 shotguns, 1 purse containing fire crackers and 1 can containing loaded dice.

Certainly someone was in error by listing some of these articles for sale. I wonder, what if they had 4 or 5 World War II hand grenades, or a dozen sticks of dynamite, would they have been on the list?

I readily agree, that certain unclaimed property of value, in possession of any law enforcement agency, should be

sold at public auction, and the money used for a just cause. However, in the article, this viewpoint mentions, someone certainly boo-boomed in offering for sale to the public many of the items listed. For the potential harm these items could do, in comparison to the petty cash they would sell for, it is plain stupid and ridiculous to return them to the streets.

Please note — this viewpoint is direct to an action taken by the Allegan County Sheriff's department. Not towards any of our local (Berrien County) agencies.

Let's hope they have the foresight not to commit themselves to the law-abiding public in this manner.

P.S. I regret the fact of being unable to attend this auction. The sale of these items to the public by a law enforcement agency I would have to see with my own eyes, to believe and even then when walking away, wonder how could it be?

Footnote:

To the people of Berrien County: An effort to contact by phone, State Rep. Harry Gast Jr., (R-43rd Dist.), was made approximately 9:30 a.m. Dec. 27. Was advised he was not in, however, my message would be relayed to him.

Mr. Gast phoned me on same date and assured that he would contact the state representative in the Allegan area and voice a strong protest against the sale of certain items on the list, and if possible, he would attend this auction personally and protest if necessary.

A. L. Straw
P.O. Box 88
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EDITOR'S NOTE: Allegan County Sheriff Robert Whitcomb indicated before the auction that he was required to list all items but would, for example: Break the blades of switchblades before sale, remove the handle of the handle with chain attached, pull spikes from the bat with spikes, keep from sale the stick with razor blade and the firecrackers, etc.

Do You REMEMBER?

— 10 Years Ago —

Dramatic changes to the skyline of downtown Benton Harbor may start in 1966 with construction of a new public library and a high rise apartment building for senior citizens. Both buildings will be within a block of each other and could go up almost simultaneously. Some conglomerate confusion might result for motorists, with new streets being cut through the area around city hall at about the same time.

— 25 Years Ago —

On or about Feb. 15, 1951, St. Joseph's new Memorial hospital will be formally opened. When completed and fully equipped, the hospital will represent an investment of close to two million dollars, a large proportion of which was raised by local subscription. Erected by the Pearson Construction Co., the St. Joseph Memorial hospital was so designed and built that additional wings can be added in the future, as the need for additional facilities arises.

— 50 Years Ago —

The bankrupt Gurinian Candy company of St. Joseph has been taken over by the Michigan Milk company and will be converted into a milk evaporating plant, according to authoritative information received today.

In spite of many collegiate devices such as the horse laugh, and the sinister pointing of fingers at a so-called guarded man, the Kalamazoo college basketball reserve five last night lost decisively to the Benton Harbor high school men. Playing for Benton Harbor were Zick, Householder, Birkholm, Friedman, Puterbaugh and Hurst.

— 75 Years Ago —

The new Morton building on Territorial street, Benton Harbor, will soon be ready for the

Tom Tiede

New Look At The Assassination



WASHINGTON — Though it has been many years since the President was assassinated, rumors continue to circulate concerning the circumstances of the deed as well as whether true justice was accommodated at the time.

A widely loved leader, the President nonetheless had numerous enemies. And with the great divisions then existing in America, it has since been suspected that the murder may not have been the crime of mere pedestrian undertaking.

Indeed there is evidence that a conspiracy of grotesque proportions may have been ultimately responsible, the plotters possibly including ranking government officers or perhaps military and political luminaries of a radical government to the south.

It appears for one thing that the President himself was aware of some plot against his safety. Talking to associates on the day of the shooting, he is said to have registered his conviction that "there are men who want to take my life — and I have no doubt they will do so." More ominous than this is the recollection of one of his aides to the effect that when the chief executive left him that day it was with a firm "goodbye" rather than a less permanent salute.

And what of the fact, of which there can be no argument, that many government personalities that afternoon showed a unanimous reluctance to accompany the President on his public appearance.

As for the assassin himself, many still doubt his capacity — at least his unreinforced capacity — to organize a high execution. He was apparently a man pampered by women throughout his life, his existence filled with self doubts and few adventures.

Could a shallow coward plan the execution of the President of the United States? Many think not. What's more, the events

surrounding the assassin's death are fraught with unanswered questions that strike at the core of the controversy. He was shot dead, we've been told, but some say it was more than that. It has been suggested that he could not have been merely shot, as he was within the immediate control of the authorities.

And here is the primary substance of the skepticism: that the assassin was let go as part of a governmental conspiratorial plan. But who were the conspirators? Nobody yet knows, that's the damned part. It's been suggested the Vice President may have been the real power behind the bullet, or possibly it was a leading cabinet secretary who was known to covet greater power. There is also the possibility, allegedly suggested by none other than the President's wife, that members of the executive security force may have been in on the plot.

Unfortunately, the government did not at the time choose to investigate its own. A federally convened trial of the assassin failed to address itself at all to the possibility of a relationship between the President's men and the President's murder. Therefore the feeling survives that the real story is yet to be fully told.

Clearly, the time has come to set the record straight at last. Too many questions remain unexplored, too many contrary clues left barren. There has even been popular talk that the President's body was never placed in the plot provided it, that authorities worried too much about the possibility of it one day being thoroughly reexamined.

Nothing short of a congressional investigation will do, of whatever duration to get the task done. The approaching Bicentennial is almost reason enough to clear up Abraham Lincoln's death once and forever.

Marianne Means

How Democrat Race Shapes Up



WASHINGTON — How do the presidential candidates stand as the campaign year opens?

The first primary is less than two months away, and the Democratic candidates are still largely unknown quantities, even though some of them have been running for a year. Their efforts have been handicapped by massive public indifference and a perverse longing on the part of the professionals for the good old days, as personified by non-candidates with famous names, like Kennedy and Humphrey.

The Republican candidates have no such problem, and it is clear to any newspaper reader or television viewer that the President is going down and Gov. Ronald Reagan is going up.

So back to the Democrats. Herewith my New Year's Day estimate of how the party's candidates are doing:

Sen. Henry Jackson has been underestimated, because he has deliberately chosen a modest, low-key course of political activity the past year. But he is the best-financed and best-organized of the candidates, and those things count. He is also the only viable moderator-conservative in the sea of liberals, which provides him with a built-in constituency. He ought to make it to the convention.

Gov. George Wallace has been overestimated, because the panic he threw into the party in past years has never faded. He retains his grip on his faithful. But he has lost the fire to attract others; his health is not nearly as good as is generally believed. He should be at the convention but he won't be strong enough to cause mischief.

Sen. Birch Bayh, a late entry, has demonstrated the most organizational momentum. He has made the best showing so far among organized liberals and has sewn up labor in New Hampshire, which holds the first primary. He ought to make

it to the convention.

Gov. Jimmy Carter has the most psychological momentum. He has successfully promoted a paste of favorable stories, which have lifted him from obscurity. He has concentrated on two states, Iowa and Florida, which most of the others have ignored, and ought to do well there. He has a shot at it.

Rep. Morris Udall has been a disappointment so far. He has bona-fide credentials as the liberal's liberal but lacks the excitement factor. He has done poorly in early liberal skirmishes and needs an issue or a miracle to make it.

Sen. Fred Harris has established himself as the radical of the field, with the accompanying advantages and disadvantages of that role. He has banked everything on an early victory in New Hampshire, and without it he's down the tube. His chances depend more on the public attitude toward radicals in this disenchanted, suspicious era, than on his own efforts.

Sargent Shriver has a list of fancy endorsements but little visible support among regular party workers or plain old voters. He has no built-in constituency and the Kennedy connection is turning out to be a bumper rather than an asset. He doesn't look good.

Probe Blast

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — Police say they are seeking two men for questioning in connection with a small bomb explosion Tuesday night below a building that houses a Bank of America branch.

Authorities said no one was injured in the blast, which detonated at about 8 p.m., causing only minor damage to the bank but shattering many nearby apartment windows and knocking doors off hinges a half block away.

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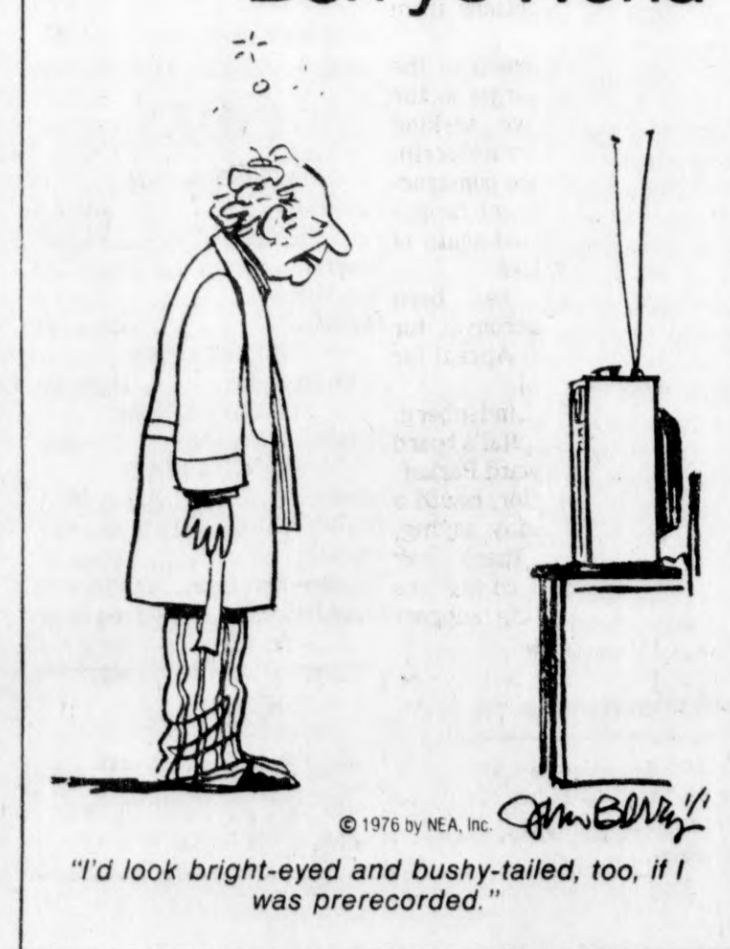
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Kentucky Upsets No. 5 Notre Dame

Terps Trim Deliberate Princeton

From ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pete Carril would love to play "Beat The Clock," but his players are much too slow for that. So he plays "Stall The Clock" instead.

"We did what we could," the Princeton coach said after trying to slow down Maryland's second-ranked smoothies Tuesday night in the Maryland Invitational Tournament.

Maryland's jet-setters streaked by the deliberate Tigers 66-59 to win the tournament and further enhance their lofty position in the college basketball polls.

Lefty Driesell, whose fast-moving Terps usually hit astronomical figures, was resigned to a low score because of Princeton's relatively quiet offense.

In a consolation game of the Maryland tourney, eighth-ranked Alabama swamped Seton Hall 100-64.

Maryland wasn't the only hometown winner in tournaments Tuesday night. UCLA claimed the championship of its own Bruin Classic by beating Purdue 99-86; No. 6 Marquette won the Milwaukee Classic with an 82-66 victory over co-host Wisconsin.

Elsewhere, 14th-ranked Rutgers beat Georgia Tech 94-87 in the championship game of the Far West Classic.

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the Poinsetta Classic; Long Island University surprised Centenary 80-78 in the finals of the All-College tournament; Missouri won the Big Eight Tourney with a 79-69 decision over Kansas; California took the Lobo Invitational with an 82-68 decision over West Virginia and Brigham Young won the Old Dominion Classic by beating Old Dominion 80-77.

Clemson stopped Davidson 72-54 to win the Charlotte Invitational; Southern Cal won the Rainbow Classic with an 81-73 triumph over Iowa; Louisiana Tech turned back Northeast Louisiana 76-63 to win the Pacemaker Classic; Idaho State took the Indiana Hall of Fame Classic by whipping Indiana State 76-74 in double overtime; Virginia Commonwealth turned back Michigan State 80-75 for the championship of the VCU Classic; South Alabama defeated Mississippi 70-54 in the finals of the Senior Bowl Tournament and Utah took the Kodak Classic with a 91-89 decision over Canisius.

In other games, No. 18 Ken-

tucky upset No. 5 Notre Dame 79-77; 19th-ranked San Francisco whipped Los Angeles State 99-84 and DePaul stunned 20th-ranked LSU 70-67.

Two free throws by Mo Howard and another by John Lucas, all in the same play, helped Maryland shake off Princeton. The Terps, 9-0, led 53-48 when Howard was fouled by Armond Hill near midcourt.

Carril was incensed because Hill had fouled out, and drew a technical foul. Howard made both of his free throws and then Lucas added the technical foul shot to make it 56-48. The Terps built the lead to 61-50 before squandering part of it in the final minute on turnovers.

Richard Washington poured in a career-high 33 points to pace UCLA over Purdue. Washington was joined by Jim Spillane, who shattered Purdue's zone defense with an assortment of jumpers that accounted for 17 points.

Bo Ellis and Butch Lee each scored 20 points to lead Marquette's runaway conquest of Wisconsin. Eddie Owens

scored 32 points and Robert Smith added 20 as Nevada-Las Vegas beat Michigan.

Washington beat Texas Tech as James Edwards scored 26 points and Clarence Ramsey 21.

Mike Dabney connected for 30 points to lead Rutgers past Georgia Tech. Earl McCain hit a five-foot jumper with five seconds to give LIU's surprising Blackbirds their triumph in the All-College tourney. Willie Smith scored 27 points to lead Missouri over Kansas.

California got 16 points from Carl Bird and shot 63 per cent as a team to beat West Virginia. A free throw by Steve Craig and two foul shots by Troy Jones in the final minute gave Brigham Young its victory over Old Dominion. David Brown and Colon Abraham each scored 14 points to lead Clemson's victory over Davidson.

Louisiana Tech won the Pacemaker on two late free throws by Jim Woolridge. Ed Thompson's two free throws with 29 seconds left in double overtime propelled Idaho State over Indiana State. Virginia



GOING AFTER IT: Colorado's Larry Vaculik (left) and Kansas State's Carl Gerlach go after loose ball during Tuesday's consolation game of the Big Eight Tournament at Kemper Arena in Kansas City. (AP Wirephoto)

Commonwealth defeated Michigan State behind a 19-point performance by Gerald Henderson. Albert Gardner totaled 23 points, triggering South Alabama over Mississippi. Jeff

Judkins' 25 points powered Utah past Canisius. Rick Robey's tip-in after a missed free throw with two minutes left gave Kentucky its tense victory over Notre Dame.

Bill Cartwright poured in 27 points, boosting San Francisco over Los Angeles State. DePaul's Ron Norwood scored 29 points to lead the Blue Demons past LSU.

Knicks' Winning Streak Extended

76ers Topple Pistons, Bullets Beat Bulls

From ASSOCIATED PRESS

Coach Red Holzman says it's a matter of confidence. His players talk about things like intensity and movement on the court, or intangibles like positive thinking and team unity.

Whatever it is, the New York Knicks are glad they've found it.

After stumbling to an 8-19 start, the Knicks have turned their season around. Tuesday night's 114-88 rout of the Phoenix Suns was the Knicks' sixth consecutive National Basketball Association triumph and eighth in the last nine games.

Earl Monroe, playing brilliantly during the Knicks' surge, dazzled the Suns with 27 points over the first three periods to help the Knicks build a 25-point lead, then sat out nearly the entire fourth quarter.

Elsewhere in the NBA Tuesday night, the Golden State Warriors whipped the Boston Celtics 133-101, the Philadelphia 76ers beat the Detroit Pistons 114-108, the Cleveland Cavaliers edged the Kansas City Kings 110-106, the Buffalo Braves topped the Milwaukee Bucks 118-106, the Washington Bullets trounced the Chicago Bulls 96-81 and the Seattle SuperSonics topped the Los Angeles Lakers 112-100.

The Knicks shot 51.3 per cent from the field and outscored Phoenix 26-16 from the free throw line. About the only bright ray for the Suns was reserve forward John Shumate, who had 21 points and 11 rebounds in just 24 minutes.

Rick Barry scored 25 points, 18 of them in the first half, as the Warriors rolled up their

highest point total of the season. They led 65-46 at the half and 106-69 after three periods in the stunningly one-sided game.

Steve Mix, who has stepped in for the injured Billy Cunningham, celebrated his 28th birthday with a season-high 28 points for Philadelphia, hitting eight of 12 from the field and all 12 free throw tries. Guards Doug Collins and Fred Carter added 26 points apiece and George McGinnis had 22.

Campy Russell poured in a career-high 35 points, including two clutch free throws with 25 seconds remaining, as the Cavs posted their 10th victory in the last 11 games and dealt the sagging Kings their 10th consecutive loss.

Bob McAdoo, back in high gear for the Braves after his brief suspension one week ago, tossed in 40 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and handed out eight assists.

Phil Chenier hit 17 of his 25 points in the second half for the Bullets, who led by 20 points in the third period and turned back a mild Chicago rally as the Bulls' record dropped to 8-24.

Fred Brunson netted 34 points and Tom Burleson 22 for Seattle, which took advantage of 20 Los Angeles turnovers in the second half to erase a one-point halftime deficit.

DETROIT (108) Rowe 10 7-9 27, Trapp 7 2-3 16, Lanier 4 4-6 12, Money 10 0-0 20, Clark 4 0-0 8, H. Porter 1 1-2 3, Hairston 0 0-0 0, Eberhard 6 2-2 14, Ford 4 0-0 8, Thomas 0 0-0 0, Williams 0 0-0 0, Totals 46 16-22. PHILADELPHIA (114) McGinnis 8 6-8 22, Mix 8 12-12 28, Catchings 2 0-2 4, Collins 10 6-7 26, Carter 12 5-26 26, Lee 0 1-2 1, Free 0 1-2 1, Bryant 2 2-2 6, Norman 0 0-0 0, Totals 42 30-40. DETROIT 29 26 25 28-108 Philadelphia 34 22 30 27-114 Fouled Out: Catchings, Total Fouls: Detroit 27, Philadelphia 25. Technical: Detroit coach, Scott, A. 12:00.

BASKETBALL RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOL

AREA
Detroit Denby 72, Benton Harbor 57
Saginaw 76, St. Joseph 66

STATE
Detroit Cooley 81, Detroit Osborn 78
Detroit dePue 86, River Rouge 57
Detroit Southeastern 58, Detroit Murray-Wright 53
Detroit Western 81, Detroit Holy Redeemer 53
Detroit U-D High 56, Detroit DeLaSalle 52
Kalamazoo Central 61, Portage Northern 55
Kalamazoo Christian 66, Comstock 65
Kalamazoo Loxley 71, Parchment 63
Midland Dow 63, Bay City Central 61 (OT)
Portage Central 64, Kalamazoo Hackett 55
Redford St. Mary 44, Madison H's Foley 33
Saginaw Arthur Hill 47, Alpena 33

COLLEGE

EAST
Syracuse 84, Dayton 74
Iona 74, Fordham 65

SOUTH
Kentucky 79, Notre Dame 77
DePaul 70, LSU 67
Georgia 117, Delaware 75
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W. Ky. 76, Butler 62
Duke 94, Vermont 77

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W. Ill. 89, E. Mich. 76

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New Mexico 86, Wichita St. 80
Maryland 66, Princeton 59
Alabama 100, Seton Hall 64
Marquette 92, Wisconsin 66
Miami, Ohio 90, Stanford 72
N. Dakota 87, Augustana 82
S. Dakota St. 87, S. Dakota 67
Brigham Young 80, Old Dominion 77
Texas 86, Cornell 60
La Tech 76, NE La. 73
Lamar 54, TCU 48
Rutgers 94, Georgia Tech 87
The Citadel 92, The Citadel 92
Southern Cal 81, Iowa 73
Arizona 84, Hawaii 74
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Cincinnati 83, Yale 55
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Pan American 95, Rice 66
Rendell-Macon 71, Howard 63
East Carolina 70, Marshall 67
Va. Commonwealth 80, Michigan St. 75
S. Miss. 98, CCNY 65

Bowl Games

Wednesday, Dec. 31
At Atlanta
North Carolina State (7-3-1) vs. West Virginia (8-3-0)
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans, La.
Penn State (9-2-0) vs. Alabama (10-1-0), n
Thursday, Jan. 1
At Miami Bowl
Arkansas (9-2-0) vs. Georgia (9-2-0)
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Ohio State (11-0-0) vs. UCLA (8-2-1)
Orange Bowl
At Miami, Fla.
Oklahoma (10-1-0) vs. Michigan (8-1-2), n
Saturday, Jan. 3
East-West Shrine, Stanford, Calif.
Saturday, Jan. 10
Hula Bowl, Honolulu, Hawaii
All-American Bowl, Tampa, Fla.
Sunday, Jan. 11
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Beavers 'Run Away' Choice In Own Holiday Tournament

The quick Eau Claire Beavers should "run away" with their own Holiday Basketball Tournament this weekend.

The Beavers have blended overall team speed and quickness with some stingy defense for four straight wins and rate as big favorites over the rest of the field, which includes Michigan Lutheran, New Buffalo and Gobles.

In Friday night's opening

round at the Eau Claire gym, Lutheran takes on Gobles at 7 and Eau Claire meets New Buffalo at 8:30. The two winners will square off for the championship Saturday at 8:30 p.m. with the two losers clashing at 7 p.m.

New Buffalo nipped Eau Claire 44-42 on a last-second shot for the tournament championship last year. But the Bisons (1-6), who lost to Eau



COFFMAN CONNECTS: University of Michigan's Mike Coffman (15) watches his shot slip past Michigan Tech's goalie John Rockwell (1) for the Wolverines' second goal in Tuesday night's Great Lakes Invitational championship game in Detroit. Michigan's Dave Debol (12) blocks out Tech's Jeff Wilcox (5) on the play. The Wolverines went on to win, 6-5. (AP Wirephoto)

Unbeaten Rebels Top Foul-Prone Michigan

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Michigan basketball Coach Johnny Orr almost led his team off the floor in disgust Tuesday night before the conclusion of the Wolverines' 108-94 loss to unbeaten, 10th-ranked Nevada-Las Vegas in the finals of the Las Vegas Holiday classic.

Orr's point of contention was the official in the foul-marred game.

Michigan was whistled for 25

personal fouls and 30 turnovers during the evening, high for the season in both categories. The home team was called for 13 personals and 22 turnovers.

Michigan had one more field goal and three more rebounds than the taller and more physical Rebels, but UNLV made 24 of 28 free throws while the Wolverines hit eight of 12. Michigan was also called for three technical fouls.

Hogs. Confident Of Win

DALLAS (AP) — "When someone tells you right out that they're going to beat you," confessed Georgia quarterback Matt Robinson, "then it becomes a personal challenge."

"It's really amazing that a team should have that much confidence," added teammate Ben Zambiasi, a linebacker, also touching on perhaps the most unique aspect of the 40th Cotton Bowl.

"I guess those comments will help us get up. We've been underdogs all year long."

He and Robinson spoke out in response to declarations of near invincibility by their New Year's Day foe, the supremely confident Arkansas Razorbacks.

beat Texas A&M so it was no big deal," Arkansas running back Ike Forte said of the Hogs' stunning verdict over the then unbeaten No. 2 ranked Aggies in the season finale.

"Do you know you're going to beat Georgia?" asked a writer flippantly.

"Yes," said Forte, pausing not a moment in replying.

Then this from Arkansas quarterback Scott Bull: "I felt from Day One that our running game was going to be the best in the conference and possibly in the nation."

Hog nose guard Mike Campbell, referring to the Bulldogs' heft: "Nobody's size bothers me anymore. I'd rather some big guy block on me than some fiery little guard."

Linebacker Hal McAfee: "I have all the confidence in the world that we can go out and win it. This confidence has built... It's multiplied. It's got greater and greater."

"At the first of the season I couldn't make a statement like that. Now it doesn't seem out of line to say such a thing at all."

Randy Johnson, the Bulldogs' All-America offensive guard, politely fielded questions about the topic, then observed: "We apparently respect them more than they respect us."

But, he added: "I'm glad they feel that strongly. I feel it will help us. Maybe they're overconfident... And we don't have anything to lose if they feel that way."

SPORTS CAPSULES

- BASEBALL** — **WILLIAMSPORT, Pa.** — Little League baseball officials rescinded the rule banning foreign teams from the Little League World Series.
- HOCKEY** — **LANDOVER, Md.** — Max McNab, president of the Central Hockey League, was named general manager of the National Hockey League Washington Capitals, succeeding Milt Schmidt, who was forced to resign.
- SOUTH YARMOUTH, Mass.** — The Cape Codders of the North American Hockey League folded due to lack of funds.
- CLEVELAND** — The Cleveland Crusaders of the World Hockey Association traded left wing Lyle Moffat and future considerations to the Winnipeg Jets for defenseman Randy Legge.
- TENNIS** — **MELBOURNE, Australia** — John Newcombe defeated Jan Kukulak of Czechoslovakia 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 in the Australian Open Tennis Championships.
- FOOTBALL** — **CARBONDALE, Ill.** — Roy Dempsey was named head football coach at Southern Illinois University.

Elk 'Hoop Shoot' Contest Saturday

The Benton Harbor Elks 544 'Hoop Shoot' contest will be held beginning at noon Saturday at the Fairplains Junior High School Gym. Boys and girls will compete in three categories. Age brackets are eight nine year olds, 10 and 11 year olds and 12 and 13 year olds. A boy and girl winner will be selected in each bracket.

The contestants are allowed 10

"I actually thought about taking my team off the floor at one point in the second half and not letting play continue," Orr said. "But what good would that do? We just had to let it go. The thing to do is just not come back again."

The victory was the 12th straight this year for the Rebels, their seventh game in a row with more than 100 points and their 30th consecutive win at home. It was their first win ever against a Big Ten team.

Michigan, rated 17th prior to the game, is now 6-2 and must prepare for a stretch of five Big Ten games in 10 days, beginning Saturday at Northwestern.

"Make no mistake — Nevada-Las Vegas is a very good team, probably one of the very best in the country," Orr continued. "But it's really hard to believe something like that could happen in the United States."

The team's traded baskets for the first 15 minutes and the score was 40-40 before the fouls started taking their toll. The Las Vegas team spurred to a 50-46 halftime lead, thanks to a 10-2 edge on the free throw line.

The Rebels tallied 12 of the next 14 points to take command 62-48 in the first three minutes of the second half and eventually led by as many as 22 points.

Wolverine captain Wayman Britt picked up a double technical and was ejected from the game. Guard Steve Grote was awarded Michigan's other technical.

UNLV placed six players in double figures. Junior forward Eddie Owens, who was named the tournament's most valuable player, led the way with 32 points, including eight for eight at the free throw line.

Guard Robert Smith, also eight for eight at the line, fired in 20 points. He and forward Jackie Robinson, who scored 12, joined Owens on the all-tournament team.

Rickey Green tallied 20 points to pace the Wolverines and was the lone Michigan representative on the all-tourney squad. John Robinson netted 18, Dave Baxter and Grote added 12 each and Phil Hubbard contributed ten points and a game high of 14 rebounds.

Otis Birdsong was also named to the all tournament team after scoring 26 points in Houston's 90-87 consolation victory over LaSalle.

MICHIGAN (M)
Thompson 4 0-0 8, Sloan 0 0-0 0, Grech 2 2-3 20, Baxter 6 0-2 12, Grote 5 2-3 12, Britt 2 2-2 6, Hubbard 5 0-2 10, Harvey 4 0-0 8, Robinson 8 2-2 18, Bergen 0 0-0 0, Totals 43-12

LAS VEGAS (M)
R. Smith 6 0-8 20, Owens 12 8-12 32, Mike 0 0-0 0, Thous 0 0-1 0, Brown 6 0-2 12, Gonzalez 4 3-3 11, Porter 0 0-0 0, Berkowitz 0 2-2 2, Robinson 6 0-0 12, S. Smith 3 2-2 8, Batts 5 1-2 11, Parnamore 0 0-0 0, Weiner, Totals 47-24

Hovertime: Las Vegas 50, Michigan 45. Total fouls: Michigan 25, Las Vegas 13. Fouled out: Grote, Britt. Technical fouls: Grote, Britt (2), A. 4:27.

LMC Winner In OT

DETROIT — Lake Michigan College overcame a 33-point performance by Schoulercraft's Ricky Young to just a 90-86 overtime victory here Tuesday night.

After a sluggish first half, the Indians, now 3-7 overall, outscored their foes 44-34 in the second half to tie the ball game at 86 apiece.

LMC had a chance to ice the game in regulation time but a shot by St. Joseph's Bernie Christopher failed to fall.

Christopher, Kerry Lee and Albert hit buckets for the Indians as they outscored Schoulercraft 6-2 in the extra

LMC (M)	G P F	Schoolcraft (M)	G P F
Lee	12 1-2	Cox	9 1-3
Taylor	10 2-0	Young	10 1-3
Chiles	4 0-0	Trowbridge	7 0-2
Christopher	3 0-0	Olsen	3 1-2
Reynolds	0 0-0	Kollman	1 1-2
Sanders	5 1-1	Schrickland	2 1-1
Ball	6 0-0	Meridith	1 0-0
Albert	6 0-0		
Willis	0 0-0		
Moore	2 0-0		
Thomas	1 0-0		
Totals	43-17	Totals	38-15
LMC	40-44	Schoolcraft	30-34

Class B Cage List Familiar South Haven Among Prep Hopefuls

From Associated Press — Class B high school basketball power in Michigan will be a well mixed bag of traditional names and new faces.

River Rouge, Muskegon Heights, Holland Christian... these names are as common in the state Class B record book as on letterheads of their own schools.

And they again represent some quality teams.

But some less familiar faces will be looking out from Flint Beecher, Royal Oak Shrine, Saginaw Buena Vista, South Haven and Spring Lake, eyeing some state recognition.

Flint Beecher may have the happiest face of all. Returning

its top six players, Beecher beat Class A teams all summer, then opened its season by nipping Buena Vista by one point at Saginaw. Beecher is unbeaten.

Bryan Rison and a front line of 6-5 James Smith, 6-6 Tony Flannery and 6-5 Ray Pitts head the Beecher attack.

Flint Powers has only losses to Beecher and Class A Flint Northwestern on its record.

Buena Vista is eight or nine players deep, led by 6-5 Michael Plowden, a 15-point, 15 rebounds per game man.

Also in the Saginaw area, unbeaten Swan Valley returns all five starters led by 6-4 center John Schuster.

River Rouge, playing its traditionally tough schedule, probably is the class team from the Detroit area but is pursued closely by several tough teams, including Royal Oak Shrine, led by 6-4 guard John Wrangler, Southgate Aquinas, Detroit Lutheran West and Boorse.

In mid-Michigan, a surprising unbeaten St. Johns and Holt look like the powers.

On the western side of the state, always a Class B hotbed, a power is growing down south. South Haven, supposedly in the midst of a rebuilding program with only three seniors on its team, has jumped off to a 7-0 start.

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PLAZA RIVERVIEW DRIVE

Rozelle Rule Knocked Down

District Court Decision To Be Appealed

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (AP) — A ruling that the National Football League's Rozelle Rule violates antitrust laws appeared headed for higher courts today as debate raged over whether the decision will wreck professional sports.

Judge Earl Larson of U.S. District Court ruled Tuesday that elimination of the rule binding a player to one team would not harm the NFL's competitive balance or quality of play.

The ruling said in effect that the NFL cannot restrict players from selling their services in a free and open market.

Larson ordered the NFL and

its 26 teams to cease enforcing the rule, but imposition of the judgment was stayed to give the league an opportunity to appeal.

Judge Larson's ruling came nearly six months after completion of a trial in a suit brought by former Baltimore Colts player John Mackey and 14 current and former NFL players.

Before NFL officials in New York asked club owners not to comment on the decision, President Max Winter of the Minnesota Vikings said he was positive there will be an appeal "as soon as our lawyers have studied it."

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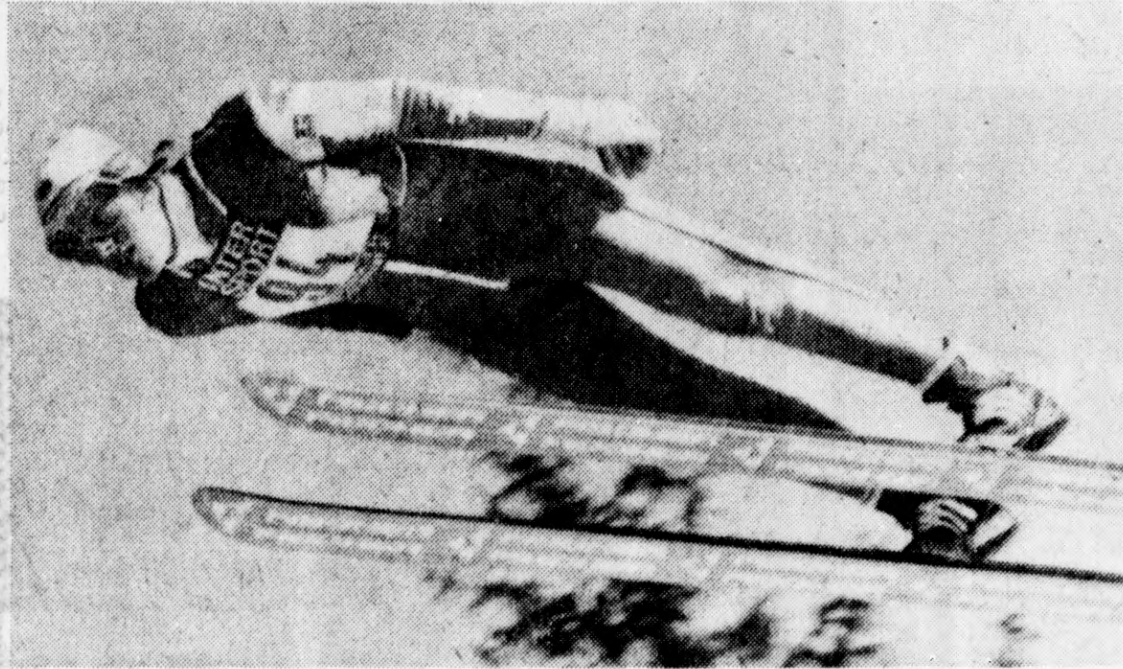
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Philia	21	11	.656 1	NY Island	20	10	6 46 147 88
Buffalo	19	15	.559 4	Atlanta	18	16	4 40 118 107
New York	16	20	.444 8	NY Rangers	15	17	4 34 113 135
Central Division				Smythe Division			
Atlanta	17	13	.567 —	Chicago	15	10	12 42 121 103
Cleveland	18	15	.545 1/2	Vancouver	13	15	6 32 110 109
Washington	16	15	.516 1 1/2	Min. 11	19	5	27 106 128
Houston	15	15	.500 2	Min. 12	21	2	26 81 123
N. Orleans	12	19	.387 5 1/2	K.C.	11	22	4 26 87 142
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Detroit	13	17	.433 —	Montreal	26	5	6 58 157 76
Milwaukee	13	18	.419 1/2	L. Angeles	20	15	2 42 119 121
K.C.	10	22	.313 4	Pitts.	14	17	4 32 142 144
Chicago	8	24	.250 6	Detroit	10	21	4 24 90 138
Pacific Division				Washn.			
G. State	23	8	.742 —	Adams Division	21	10	5 47 156 100
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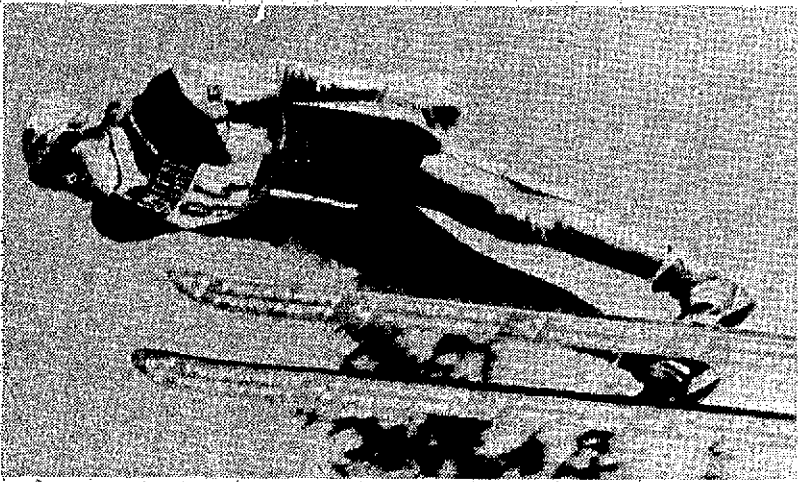
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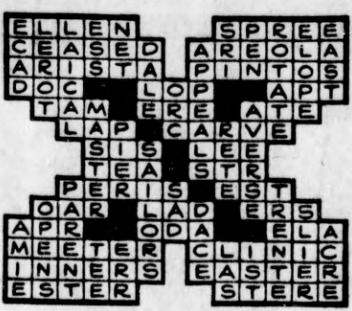
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This Evening

3 p.m.
2,3 All in the Family
5,8,16 Another World
7,13,28 General Hospital
9 Farmer's Daughter

3:30 p.m.
2,3 Matchgame
7,13,28 One Life To Live
9 Father Knows Best

4 p.m.
2,3 Tattletales
5 Somerset
7,28 Edge of Night
8 Gilligan's Island
9 Flintstones
13 Mickey Mouse Club
16 Bugs Bunny

4:30 p.m.
2,3 Dinah Shore
5 Mike Douglas
7 Movie
8 Partridge Family
9,28 Mickey Mouse Club
13 I Love Lucy
16 Big Blue Marble

5 p.m.
8 Ironside
9,16 Gilligan's Island
13 Beverly Hillsbillies
28 Dinah

5:30 p.m.
9 Cartoons
16 The Lucy Show
22 Mike Douglas

6 p.m.
2,3,5,7,8,13,16,22,28 News
9 I Dream of Jeannie

6:30 p.m.
2,3,5,7,8,16,28 News
13 Adam-12
9 Bewitched

7 p.m.
2,5,7,8,22 News
3 Concentration
9 Andy Griffith
13 Truth or Consequences
16 Ironside
28 Invitation To Skiing

7:30 p.m.

2,22 News
3 Wild World of Animals
5 New Price Is Right
7,13 Sugar Bowl
8 Let's Make A Deal
9 Dick Van Dyke
22 Adam 12

8 p.m.
2,3,22 Tony Orlando and Dawn
5,8,16 Parade
9 Movie

9 p.m.
2,3,22 Cannon
10 p.m.
2,3,22 Blue Knight
9 It's Entertainment

11 p.m.
2,3,5,8,13,16,22 News
28 Virginian
11:30 p.m.
2,3,22 New Year's Eve With Guy Lombardo
5,8,16 Johnny Carson
7,13,28 ABC Special
9 Miss World Pageant

Tomorrow

8 a.m.

2 News
3,22 Captain Kangaroo
5,8,16 Today Show
7,13,28 Good Morning America
9 Ray Rayner

9 a.m.
2 Captain Kangaroo
3 Channel 3 Clubhouse
8 Buck Mathews
9 Garfield Goose
13 Movie

16 Leave It To Beaver
22 Homemakers Time
28 Phil Donahue

9:30 a.m.
3 Accent
8 Not For Women Only
9 I Dream of Jeannie
16 Lucy Show

10 a.m.
2,3,22 Cotton Bowl Parade
5,8,16 Parade
7 A.M. Chicago
9 Movie

28 A.M. Michiana 11:30 a.m.
9 Parade
13 Edge of Night

11 a.m.
28 New Zoo Revue
13 Let's Make A Deal

11:30 a.m.
2,3,5,9,22,16 Parade
7,13,28 Happy Days

12 Noon
7,28 Let's Make A Deal
8,13 Noon Report

12:30 p.m.
7,13,28 All My Children
8 Mike Douglas

1 p.m.
2,5 News
7,13,28 Ryan's Hope
9 Parade

1:30 p.m.
7,13,28 Rhyme & Reason
9 Bozo's Circus

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WJMR-Bulletin Board; Hymns
WJMR-Don Backus
WJMR-Eddie Hubbard
WJMR-Afternoon Show
3:30 P.M.
WJMR-Lee Emerson
4:00 P.M.
WJMR-Afternoon Show; Earl Nightingale
5:00 P.M.
WJMR-Craig "The King" Cole
WJMR-Bill Berg
WJMR-News; Sports
WJMR-News; Sports
5:30 P.M.
WJMR-Jan Russ
WJMR-Lum & Abner
6:00 P.M.
WJMR-News; Sports
WJMR-News; Night Beat
6:30 P.M.
WJMR-Music
WJMR-Night Beat
7:00 P.M.
WJMR-Sign Off
8:00 P.M.
WJMR-News; Music
WJMR-Music Unlimited
9:00 P.M.
WJMR-Jim Stoddard
WJMR-Baseball
11:00 P.M.
WJMR-Sign Off

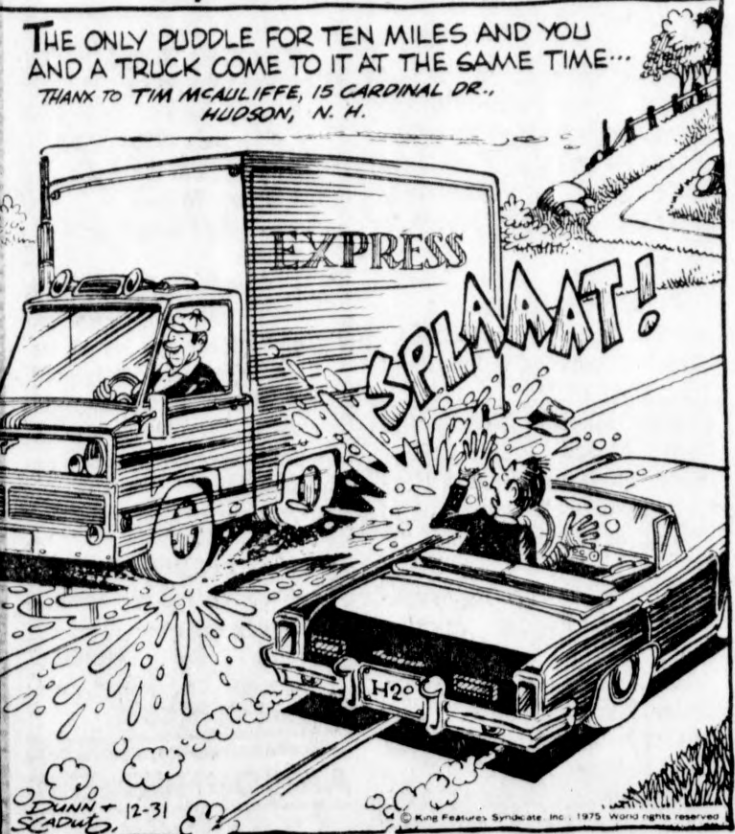
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8:00 A.M.
WJMR-News; Breakfast Club
WJMR-Alice Berick
WJMR-Wally Phillips
WJMR-Morning Show
WJMR-News; Music
9:00 A.M.
WJMR-Alice Flood Show
WJMR-Alice Anderson
WJMR-Sound Off
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10:00 A.M.
WJMR-Ralph Show
WJMR-Morning Show
11:00 A.M.
WJMR-Roy Leonard
WJMR-Ralph Emmery
12:00 NOON
WJMR-News; Farm Report
WJMR-Sound Off
WJMR-1radio
1:00 P.M.
WJMR-Farm Show
WJMR-Sound Off
WJMR-1radio
1:30 P.M.
WJMR-Bill Cullen; Music
WJMR-Lee Emerson
2:00 P.M.
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WHFB
ABC AFFILIATE
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3:05-The Chuck Campbell Show
3:30-News Round-Up
3:40-Sportscast
3:45-Viewpoint
4:00-ABC News
4:30-Local News/Weather
4:50-Local Sports W/Campbell
5:00-Eve. Local News W/Kelly
5:15-Sign-off

TOMORROW
7:15-Sign-On Morning Show
W/Frank Roberts
News/Weather/Music
7:30-Local News
7:35-Sports Page
8:00-Major News Cast
8:15-Weathercast
8:20-Earl Nightingale
8:25-ABC's Howard Cosell
8:30-Paul Harvey News
9:00-ABC News
9:05-Frank Roberts Show
10:00-ABC News
10:05-Lee Murray Show
10:30-Voice of the People
11:00-ABC News
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Energy
Crisis
Frustrating

WASHINGTON (AP) — Energy policy-makers stumbled through a year of frustration in 1975, disagreeing about what to do about an energy crisis that was hiding but wouldn't go away.

Virtually at the last minute, in mid-December, Congress and the President managed to agree on a comprehensive energy bill, setting in motion a wide range of responses to the crisis that began more than two years earlier.

The bill included gradual, controlled increases in domestic oil prices designed to end price controls after 40 months; mandatory automobile efficiency standards; and federal loans for new coal mines.

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NEWS OF MARKETS

Market Reaches Upward

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market turned upward today, trying to close out a generally strong year on a positive note.

The opening Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was up a fraction, and gainers took a 7-6 lead over losers on the New York Stock Exchange.

Trading was brisk. Analysts said some optimism still apparently remained that the market might do well once the last of the year-end tax selling is out of the way.

They also noted that confidence about the 1976 outlook got a boost from the government's report Tuesday that its index of leading economic indicators rose in November after declining in the two previous months.

Today's early prices included Evans Products, up 1/8 at 5 1/2; Champion Spark Plug, down 1/8 at 11 3/4; Texaco, off 1/8 at 23 1/4; and Borden, 1/8 higher at 26 1/2.

On Tuesday the Dow Jones industrial average dropped 4.25 to 852.41.

Declining issues outnumbered advances by slightly more than a 3-2 margin on the NYSE, and the exchange's composite index lost 17 to 47.37.

Big Board volume was a moderate 16.04 million shares.

At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was off .17 at 82.46.

Unity Hospital

ADMISSIONS

BUCHANAN — Patients admitted to Unity hospital during the past 24 hours include:

Buchanan — Gladys Scoggin, route 1, Box 570; Andre Mooreman, 502 Arctic, Apt. 3; Jeanette Stokes, Commerce street.

Niles — Claudie Garcia, 812 1/2 Clay; Arthur Horton, 3420 Bertrand road.

LOCAL GRAIN

BUCHANAN CO-OP

BUCHANAN, MICH.

No. 1 Soybeans \$4.78 up 2.
No. 2 Barley \$1.54 steady.
No. 2 Ear Corn \$2.20 steady.
No. 2 Shelled Corn \$2.25 steady.

No. 2 Wheat \$2.96 up 4.
No. 2 Wheat \$2.92 up 3.
Oats \$1.54 up 4.
Rye \$2.00 steady.

These are the markets as of this morning — prior to the opening of the Chicago Board of Trade.

Bond Is Denied

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Furniture store owner W.T. Zeigler Jr., accused of the premeditated murders of four persons Christmas Eve, has been denied bond in a hearing conducted in his hospital room.



APPOINTED: Robert E. Mercer was appointed vice president of tire marketing for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in Cleveland, Ohio, Tuesday.

Mercer has been president of the Kelly-Springfield Tire Co., a Goodyear subsidiary. (AP Wirephoto)

NEWSMEN SENTENCED

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The Seoul district court convicted two striking newsmen and a school lecturer today of plotting a Maoist revolution and sentenced them to prison terms of four and eight years.

New York Stocks

As quoted by
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1975 High	Low	Yesterday's Close	1975 High	Low	Yesterday's Close
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21 1/2	14 1/4	20 1/2	35 1/2	20 1/2	33 1/2
7 1/4	3 1/2	5 1/2	24 1/2	15 1/2	17 1/2
52 1/2	43 1/2	50 1/2	15 1/2	8 1/2	14 1/2
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Whirlpool Corp
Wickes Corp

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Red Rome, \$3.50-3.75.
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Jonathans 100-113s, \$4.25-4.50.
McIntosh 100-113s, \$4.75-5.
Red Rome 88-113s, \$5-5.50.
Red Staymans 88-113s, \$5-5.50.
Golden Del. 88-113s, \$5-5.25.
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McIntosh, \$4.75.

Jonathans, \$4.25-4.50.

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Red Delicious, \$3.50-3.75.
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McIntosh, \$3.25-3.50.

Berrien General

ADMISSIONS

BERRIEN CENTER — Patients admitted to Berrien General hospital during the past 24 hours include:

Berrien Springs — Mrs. Marlene Dawson, 500 South Main.

Madison, Wis. — Marietta Hippel, 5709 Tonywaitha Trail.

Bank Holding Firm To Pay 5th Dividend

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Old Kent Corp. has declared a fifth quarterly 17.5-cent dividend, which the bank holding company terms returns of capital rather than regular dividends.

Officials said Old Kent has been treating dividends as returns of capital since 1973. In that way, recipients don't have to report the dividends unless they dispose of their Old Kent stock.

In that case, the dividends received must be deducted from the price the stockholder paid to acquire his shares.

Old Kent officials said the company decided to pay the fifth dividend this year because the return of capital provision expires at midnight tonight.

Watervliet Hospital

ADMISSIONS

WATERVLIET — Patients admitted to Watervliet Community hospital during the past 24 hours include:

Coloma — Mrs. Grace Giunta, 4126 Hagar Shore road.

Hartford — Glen Robinson, 139 Michigan; Mrs. Kenneth Coon, route 1; William Ryder, route 2, Box 121.

Lawrence — Mrs. Clyde Rowlee, 325 West James.

Hope Fading

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The Indian government has given up all hope of finding survivors in airpockets in the flooded Chasnala coal mine where 372 miners are trapped. "There are no such pockets," said Srinivasa Chari, the national coal secretary, as he returned Tuesday from the site in India's coal-rich northeast. "There cannot be any hope of survival."

Jobless Figures Mystify Expert

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of four columns about government employment figures.

By JOHN CUNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — For more than 20 years until early this year, said Alert Sindlinger, his market research company's independent survey of employment matched government figures to within one per cent.

Since April, Sindlinger & Co., which interviews 1,100 households a week by telephone, has found 1.5 million more jobless, using the official definition, than is currently being reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Because of this, Sindlinger has become an outspoken critic of the government's job figures, which in November showed 8.3 per cent of a 92,979,000-person labor force unemployed.

"The jobless rate should be much higher," he said. Using the government's own definition, that the person must be actively seeking work, it should have been over 9.2 per cent in November, he said.

By his own definition, "anyone who tells us they are out of work," the November jobless rate was 10.6 per cent.

"I'm baffled," he said, "in view of the fact that for two decades we were in almost complete agreement with the government figures. We've changed no definitions. We haven't changed our questions, ever."

Adding to the mystery, says Sindlinger, is that his survey is within one-half of one per cent agreement with the larger government figure, that for the total labor force. In November it was within one-tenth of one per cent agreement.

"Why should we go so far off on the smaller figure after two decades of almost total agreement?" Sindlinger asked pointedly.

He has examined and re-examined his figures, which are used by many scores of businessmen, government officials, economists and stock brokers. He insists the government owes the public an explanation.

Prof. Charles Killingsworth is another critic with solid credentials, earned mainly in academia and government service.

A university professor of economics and labor and industrial relations at Michigan State University, Killingsworth is also chairman of the National Manpower Policy Task Force, a group of mainly university people, funded in part by the Labor Department. During the Korean War he was chairman of the Wage Stabilization Board.

As a measure of economic performance, he says, the jobless figures are understated and misleading.

In 1965, he reports, the Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics began counting as employed those people in public works and college work-study programs, most of whom were earlier considered jobless or members of the labor force.

"Apply the same rationale, retroactively and it would reduce the unemployment count during the late 1930s by one-third," he said.

"When they started this new definition in 1965 they never publicly reported it," he said. "I stumbled across it. The majority of so-called experts are unaware."

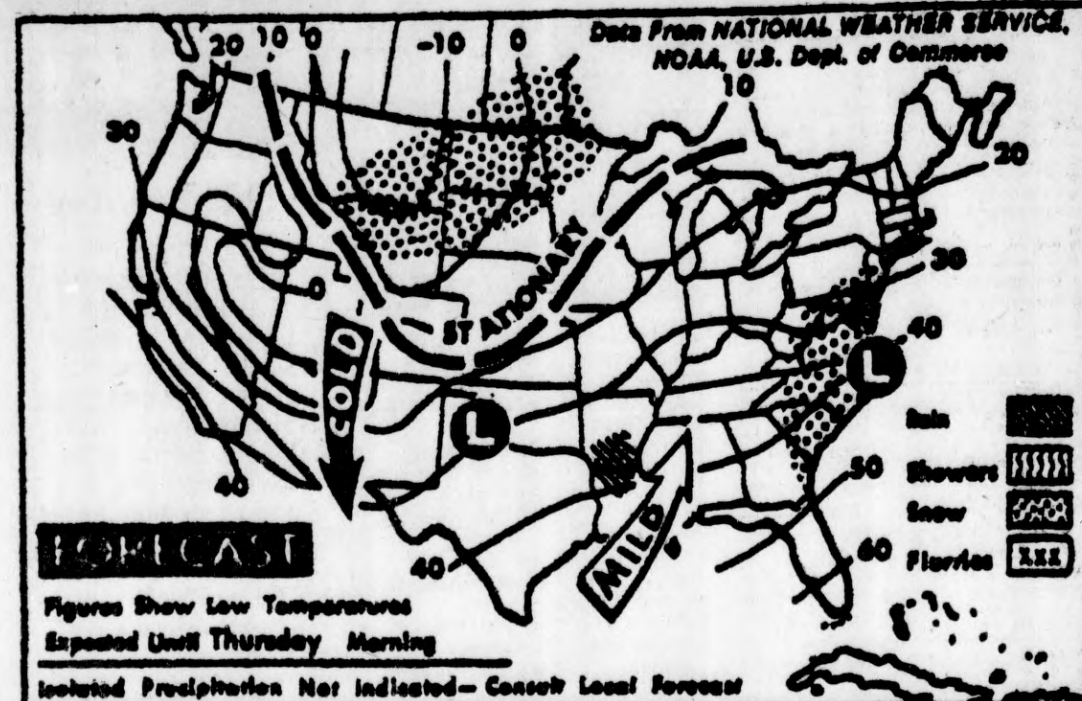
What impact has it had? Killingsworth explains: A low figure in the Public Service Employment Program was reached in August 1974 at 33,000 people. A new program was begun and by July 1975 the number involved leaped to 315,000.

"All these people were counted as employed," he said. "When reports tell us we've had a growth in employment a substantial part is due to the Public Service Employment Program," he explained.

The College Work-Study Program also helped lower the

South Haven Hospital

SOUTH HAVEN — Patients admitted to South Haven Community hospital yesterday included Hope Easterly, Miss Barbara Falkner, Mrs. Hazel Winney, South Haven; Melvin Jeffries, Covert.



TODAY'S WEATHER MAP: Snow is forecast Wednesday from the Carolinas to southern New Jersey. Snow is also expected for much of the northern Plains. Cold weather is forecast for the West and mild weather for the Gulf but most of the nation will be seasonably cool. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Snow May Usher In New Year

Southwestern Lower Michigan — Cloudy tonight. Low mid 20s. Cloudy with chance of snow Thursday. High lower to mid 30s. Winds east to northeast five to 15 miles per hour this afternoon through Thursday. Probability of measurable precipitation 30 per cent Thursday.

WEATHER PICTURE

The highest temperature in Michigan Tuesday was 38 at Detroit and Jackson. The lowest was 25 at Grand Rapids and Jackson.

The highest temperature one year ago in Detroit was 34. The low was 23.

The highest temperature for this date in Detroit since 1872 was 65 in 1875. The lowest was five below in 1967.

The sun sets today at 5:11 p.m., rises Thursday at 8:02 a.m. and sets at 5:12 p.m.

The moon sets today at 4:39 p.m., rises Thursday at 7:46 a.m. and sets at 5:41 p.m.

Highs, lows, sky conditions and precipitation at selected sites:

	High	Low
Alpena, cldy	30	26
Detroit, cldy	38	33
Flint, cldy	36	31
G. Rapids, cldy	35	25
Houghton, cldy	30	28
Houghton Lk, cldy	30	27
Jackson, cldy	38	25
Lansing, cldy	36	30
Marquette, cldy	29	27
Muskegon, cldy	36	29
Pellston, cldy	33	28
Saginaw, cldy	33	30
S.S. Marie, cldy	30	27
Traverse City, cldy	33	30

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

Chance of rain or snow Friday and Saturday. Mostly cloudy Sunday. Lows Friday and Saturday mostly 20s. Lows Sunday teens to lower 20s. Highs Friday 30s, gradually lowering to mid 20s to near 30 Sunday.

Berrien Divorces Granted

The following marriages have been dissolved by divorce decrees granted in Berrien Circuit court:

Byers, Kenneth of Eau Claire and Elaine. Married Jan. 18, 1974.

Cowgill, Sue of St. Joseph and Michael. Three children to the mother. Married May 20, 1972.

Bailey, Ronald, Jr. of Niles and Margaret. Two children to the mother. Married March 9, 1968.

Bryant, Lynn of St. Joseph and Donald, Jr. One child to the mother. Married Feb. 15, 1964.

Schultz, Ardy of Coloma and Louis. Married May 31, 1947.

Hadley, Alice of Coloma and Charles. Married Feb. 3, 1973.

King, Evelyn of Benton Harbor and Michael. One child to the mother. Married April 21, 1970.

Osby, Willie of Pipestone township and Florine. Married March, 1950.

Morris, Delores of Benton Harbor and Dennis. Two children to the mother. Married March 30, 1968.

Kerlikowske, Julia of St. Joseph and Erich. Married April 3, 1975.

Delaying Decision

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel is withholding a final decision on whether to attend a U.N. Security Council debate Jan. 12 on the Middle East until Foreign Minister Yigal Alon completes talks with U.S. leaders in Washington, Israeli officials said today.

Memorial Hospital

ADMITTED

St. Joseph — Gloria K. Isbrecht, 3561 Knox street; Harold A. Smith, 1430 Hickory drive.

Benton Harbor — Charles L. Cobb, 1031 Connell court; Juan D. Jones, 124 Quince drive; Phillip R. Sax, 1549 Broadway; James H. Taylor, 1875 E. Empire avenue.

Baroda — Grover C. Shuler, route 1, Snow road.
Coloma — Betty J. Lewis, P.O. Box 225.

Dowagiac — Mrs. Keth A. Hand, route 7, Rainbow park.

Hartford — Mrs. Horace E. Williams, 410 North Center street.

Sawyer — James B. Graham Jr., Box 386.

Watervliet — Anna E. Cupani, E. Baldwin.

BIRTHS

Benton Harbor — A boy, weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Romeo, 1745 Fairplain avenue, Tuesday at 5:45 a.m.

Baroda — A boy, weighing 10 pounds, 2 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald T. Arend, route 1, Box 312, Landon road, Tuesday at 11:33 p.m.

A girl, weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Neil C. Saxman, route 1, Box 122, Singer Lake road, Tuesday at 12:58 p.m.

Eau Claire — A boy, weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Babcock, route 1, Box 203, Tuesday at 6:38 p.m.

Steelmen

Can't Forget Bleak '75

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The steel industry will remember 1975 as a bleak year when all of its glamor products lost their spark at the same

Body Absconded

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Available (2 wds.)
7. Side of a military formation
11. Influential individual
12. South American snakes
16. Envelope
18. Experience again
17. Scottish cap
20. Algerian airport
21. Capital of Wisconsin
24. Ulster—Mongolia
27. Brythonic sea god
28. Hawaiian garden
31. Maple genus
32. Italian seaport
34. On (on time, coll.)
37. Of the ear
39. Fowl
39. Be first

DOWN

40. Period of time
41. One of the Merods
43. Menu item
46. Timetable abbreviation
47. Chinese "Way"
50. Value
53. Away from home
55. Tell
56. Reversed position
57. European river
58. Gladdens
1. Spanish cheers
2. Hawaiian goose
3. Shop
4. Town in Ohio
5. Delicious beverage
6. Be afraid of
7. Distant
8. Presidential nickname
9. Punctuation mark
10. Near East
13. Hawaiian pepper
14. Far East coin
19. Thousands of years (var.)
21. Time of day
22. Blahopric
23. Organization (ab.)
24. City in England
25. Pain
26. Numerical suffix
28. Hindu water vessel (var.)
29. Boy's name
30. Measure of length
33. Brisk leaps
35. Possess
36. Perch
40. Quantity of talk (coll.)
41. In advance
42. Talk idly
43. Pronoun
44. Poor Gyn's mother
45. Town in Normandy (2 wds.)
47. Portable shelter
48. Nautical term
49. Chances
51. Summer (Fr.)
52. Mal de
54. Man's name

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TELEVISION LOG

This Evening

3 p.m.
2,3 All in the Family
5,8,16 Another World
7,13,28 General Hospital
9 Farmer's Daughter

3:30 p.m.
2,3 Matchgame
7,13,28 One Life To Live
9 Father Knows Best

4 p.m.
2,3 Tattletales
5 Somerset
7,28 Edge of Night
8 Gilligan's Island
9 Flintstones

13 Mickey Mouse Club
16 Bugs Bunny

4:30 p.m.
2,3 Dinah Shore
5 Mike Douglas
7 Movie

8 Partridge Family
9,28 Mickey Mouse Club
13 I Love Lucy
16 Big Blue Marble

5 p.m.
8 Ironside
9,16 Gilligan's Island
13 Beverly Hillsbillies
28 Dinah

5:30 p.m.
9 Cartoons
16 The Lucy Show
22 Mike Douglas

6 p.m.
2,3,5,7,8,13,16,22,28 News
9 Dream of Jeannie

6:30 p.m.
2,3,5,7,8,13,16,22 News
13 Adam-12
9 Bewitched

7 p.m.
2,5,7,8,22 News
3 Concentration
9 Andy Griffith

13 Truth or Consequences
16 Ironside
28 Invitation To Skiing

7:30 p.m.
2,22 News
3 Wild World of Animals
5 New Price Is Right
7,13 Sugar Bowl
8 Let's Make A Deal
9 Dick Van Dyke
22 Adam-12

8 p.m.
2,3,22 Tony Orlando and Dawn
5,8,16 Parade
9 Movie

9 p.m.
2,3,22 Cannon
10 p.m.
2,3,22 Blue Knight
9 It's Entertainment

11 p.m.
2,3,5,8,13,16,22 News
28 Virginian

11:30 p.m.
2,3,22 New Year's Eve With Guy Lombardo
5,8,16 Johnny Carson
7,13,28 ABC Special
9 Miss World Pageant

Tomorrow

8 a.m.
2 News
3,22 Captain Kangaroo
5,8,16 Today Show
7,13,28 Good Morning America
9 Ray Rayner

9 a.m.
2 Captain Kangaroo
3 Channel 3 Clubhouse
8 Buck Mathews
9 Garfield Goose
13 Movie
16 Leave It To Beaver
22 Homemakers Time
28 Phil Donahue

9:30 a.m.
3 Accent
8 Not For Women Only
9 Dream of Jeannie
16 Lucy Show

10 a.m.
2,3,22 Cotton Bowl Parade
5,8,16 Parade
7 A.M. Chicago
9 Movie
28 A.M. Michiana 11:30 a.m.
9 Parade
13 Edge Of Night

11 a.m.
28 New Zoo Revue
13 Let's Make A Deal

11:30 a.m.
2,3,5,8,22,16 Parade
7,13,28 Happy Days

12 Noon
7,28 Let's Make A Deal
8,13 Noon Report

12:30 p.m.
7,13,28 All My Children
8 Mike Douglas

1 p.m.
2,5 News
7,13,28 Ryan's Hope
9 Parade

1:30 p.m.
7,13,28 Rhyme & Reason
9 Bozo's Circus

2 p.m.
2,3,22 Cotton Bowl Game
5 Fullhouse

2:30 p.m.
7,13,28 The Neighbors
9 Phil Donahue Show

2:55 News
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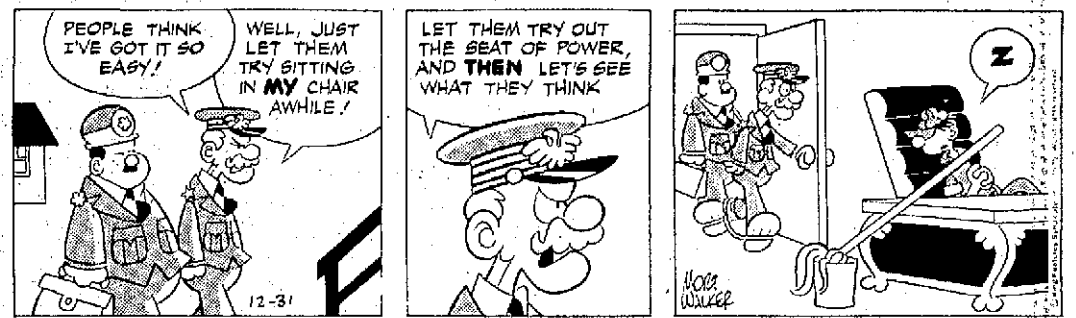
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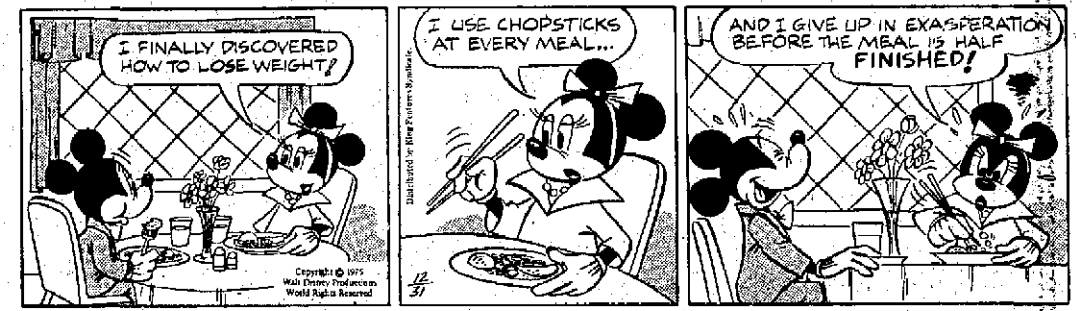
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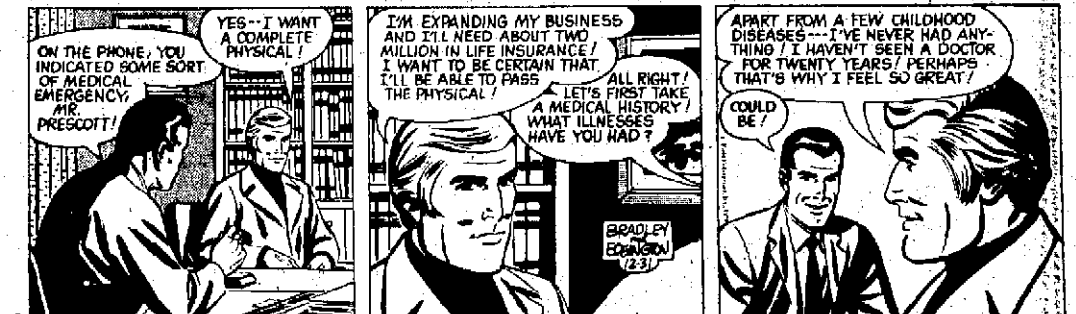
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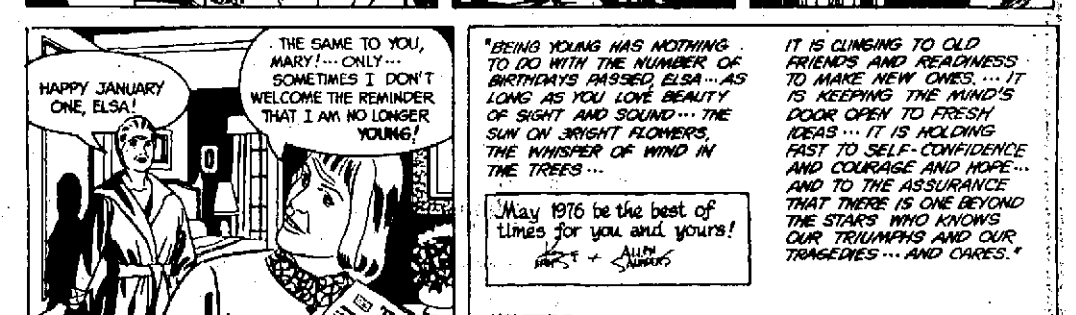
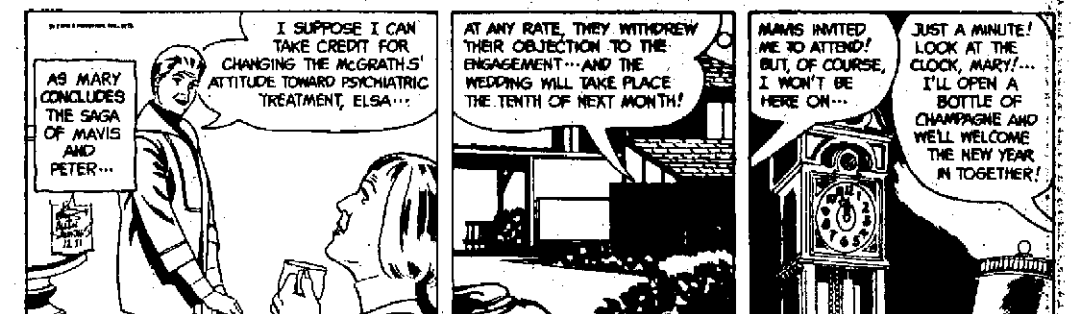
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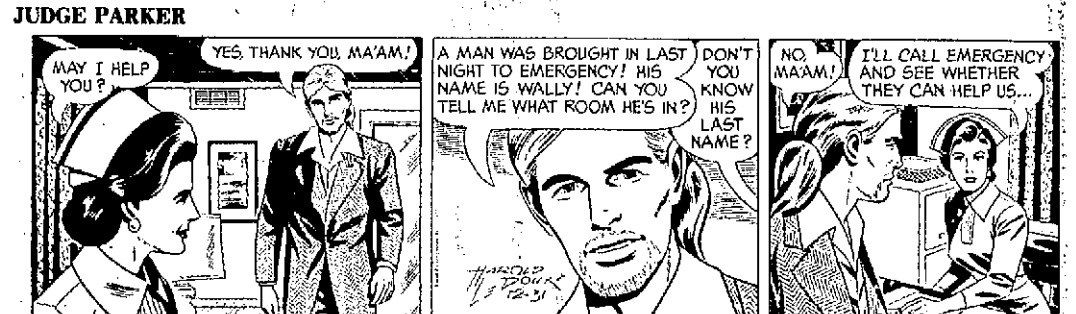
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3:00 P.M.
WJOL—Bulletin Board; Hymns
WJOL—Don Backus
WJOL—Eddie Hubbard
WDOW—Afternoon Show
5:30 P.M.
WJOL—Lee Emerson
5:00 P.M.
WDOW—Afternoon Show
5:00 P.M.
WJOL—Nightline
5:00 P.M.
WJOL—Crisis
WJOL—Bill Borge
WDOW—News/Sports
5:30 P.M.
WJOL—Jon Russ
WDOW—Lum & Abner
5:00 P.M.
WJOL—News/Sports
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5:00 P.M.
WJOL—Music
WDOW—High Beat
5:00 P.M.
WJOL—Sign Off
5:00 P.M.
WJOL—News/Music
WJOL—Music Unlimited
WJOL—Jim Stoddard
WJOL—Bobcat
WDOW—Sign Off

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3:05—The Chuck Campbell Show
3:30—News Round-Up
3:45—Sportscast
3:55—Viewpoint
4:00—ABC News
4:30—Local News/Weather
4:50—Local Sports W/Campbell
5:00—Eve. Local News W/Kelly
5:15—Sign-off

TOMORROW
7:15—Sign-On Morning Show
W/Frank Roberts
News/Weather/Music
7:30—Local News
7:35—Sports Page
8:00—Major News Cast
8:15—Weathercast
8:20—Earl Nightingale
8:25—ABC's Howard Cosell
8:30—Paul Harvey News
9:00—ABC News
9:05—Frank Roberts Show
10:00—ABC News
10:05—Lee Murray Show
10:30—Voice of the People
11:00—ABC News
11:05—12—Branch to Lunch
12:00 NOON—Major News Cast
12:15—Farm '30' W/Kelly
12:45—Paul Harvey Show
1:00—ABC News On-The-Hour
Local News On-Half-Hour
1:05—John Doremus Show
1:35—The Chuck Campbell Show
3:30—News Roundup
3:40—Viewpoint
3:45—Sportscast
4:00—ABC News

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2:00—Together
3:45—Major Newscast
6:00—Earl Nightingale
6:05—Touching
6:15—Stock Market Reports
8:45—Community Communique
9:00—John Doremus Show
10:00—Love Shadows
11:45—Local News
12:00—Mid. Sign-Off

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7:00—ABC News
7:30—Local News
7:35—Sports Page
8:00—15-Min. Major Newscast
ABC News :15 After Hour
Local News :45 Before Hour
8:45—Community Communique
9:00—Only You
11:45—Major Newscast
12:00—Searching
1:00—Community Communique
3:00—Together
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12:00—Sign-off

Energy
Crisis
Frustrating

WASHINGTON (AP) — Energy policy-makers stumbled through a year of frustration in 1975, disagreeing about what to do about an energy crisis that was hiding but wouldn't go away.

Virtually at the last minute, in mid-December, Congress and the President managed to agree on a comprehensive energy bill, setting in motion a wide range of responses to the crisis that began more than two years earlier.

The bill included gradual, controlled increases in domestic oil prices designed to end price controls after 40 months; mandatory automobile efficiency standards; and federal loans for new coal mines.

But it may be a long time before such provisions begin to reverse the downhill energy slide that continued through 1975.

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"Local Year In Review"

Charged With Killing Suspect

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP) — Joseph Palucci, the alleged companion of the three accused slayers of newspaper heir John S. Knight III, has been charged with murdering one of the suspects. The warrant, issued by the Camden County prosecutor's office Tuesday, charges Palucci, 28, of Philadelphia, with the shooting death of Isais Melendez, 20, also of Philadelphia. Melendez' body was discovered in a wooded area near Pine Hill, N.J., Dec. 12. He had been shot in the head. At the time of his death, Melendez had been named in a murder warrant in connection with Knight's death.

Gets Hero Title

MOSCOW (AP) — Nikolai Patolichev, Soviet foreign trade minister, has been awarded the Hero of Socialist Labor title, Tass announced.

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NEWS OF MARKETS

Market Reaches Upward

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market turned upward today, trying to close out a generally strong year on a positive note.

The opening Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was up a fraction, and gainers took a 7-6 lead over losers on the New York Stock Exchange.

Trading was brisk. Analysts said some optimism still apparently remained that the market might do well once the last of the year-end tax selling is out of the way.

They also noted that confidence about the 1976 outlook got a boost from the government's report Tuesday that its index of leading economic indicators rose in November after declining in the two previous months.

Today's early prices included Evans Products, up 1/4 at 5 1/2; Champion Spark Plug, down 1/4 at 1 1/2; Texaco, off 1/4 at 23 1/4; and Borden, 1/4 higher at 28 1/2.

On Tuesday the Dow Jones industrial average dropped 4.25 to 852.41.

Declining issues outnumbered advances by slightly more than a 3-2 margin on the NYSE, and the exchange's composite index lost 17 to 47.37.

Big Board volume was a moderate 18.04 million shares. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was off .17 at 82.46.

Unity Hospital

ADMISSIONS
BUCHANAN — Patients admitted to Unity hospital during the past 24 hours include:

Buchanan — Gladys Scoggin, route 1, Box 570; Andre Moorman, 502 Arctic, Apt. 3; Jeanette Stokes, Commerce Street.

Niles — Claude Garcia, 812 1/2 Clay; Arthur Horton, 3420 Bertrand road.

LOCAL GRAIN

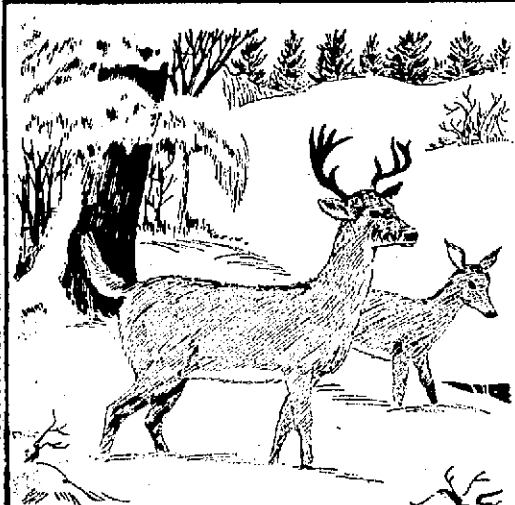
BUCHANAN CO-OP
BUCHANAN, MICH.
No. 1 Soybeans \$1.78 up 2.
No. 2 Barley \$1.64 steady.
No. 2 Ear Corn \$2.20 steady.
No. 2 Shelled Corn \$2.25 steady.

No. 2 Wheat \$2.96 up 4.
No. 2 New Wheat \$2.92 up 3.
Oats \$1.54 up 4.
Rye \$2.00 steady.

These are the markets as of this morning — prior to the opening of the Chicago Board of Trade.

Bond Is Denied

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Furniture store owner W.T. Zeigler Jr., accused of the premeditated murders of four persons Christmas Eve, has been denied bond in a hearing conducted in his hospital room.



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APPOINTED: Robert E. Mercer was appointed vice president of tire marketing for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in Cleveland, Ohio, Tuesday. Mercer has been president of the Kelly-Springfield Tire Co., a Goodyear subsidiary. (AP Wirephoto)

NEWSMEN SENTENCED
SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The Seoul district court convicted two striking newsmen and a school lecturer today of plotting a Maoist revolution and sentenced them to prison terms of four and eight years.

Storage Apples

CARTONS 12-1/2 lb. film bag U.S. fancy 2 1/4" x 1 1/4"
McIntosh, \$3.50-4.
Jonathan, \$2.75-3.25.
Red Delicious, \$3.75-4.25.
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Golden Del., \$3.75-4.
Red Staymans, \$3.50-3.75.
Red Rome, \$3.50-3.75.
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CARTONS TRAY PACK U.S. Extra Fancy & Fancy
Red Del. 88-113s, \$5.25-5.50.
Jonathan 100-113s, \$4.25-4.50.
McIntosh 100-113s, \$4.75-5.
Red Rome 88-113s, \$5-5.50.
Red Staymans 88-113s, \$5-5.50.
Golden Del. 88-113s, \$5-5.25.
CARTONS 12 1/2 FILM WRAPPED 8 1/2 x 11 1/2 U.S. Fancy
Red Delicious, \$4.75.
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Berrien General

ADMISSIONS
BERRIEN CENTER — Patients admitted to Berrien General hospital during the past 24 hours include:
Berrien, Springs — Mrs. Marlene Dawson, 500 South Main.
Madison, Wis. — Marietta Hippel, 5709 Tonywaitha Trail.

Bank Holding Firm To Pay 5th Dividend

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Old Kent Corp. has declared a fifth, quarterly 17.5-cent dividend, which the bank holding company terms returns of capital rather than regular dividends.

Officials said Old Kent has been treating dividends as returns of capital since 1973. In that way, recipients don't have to report the dividends unless they dispose of their Old Kent stock.

In that case, the dividends received must be deducted from the price the stockholder paid to acquire his shares.

Old Kent officials said the company decided to pay the fifth dividend this year because the return of capital provision expires at midnight tonight.

Waterliet Hospital

ADMISSIONS
WATERLIET — Patients admitted to Waterliet Community hospital during the past 24 hours include:
Coloma — Mrs. Grace Giunta, 4126 Hagar Shore road.
Hartford — Glen Robinson, 139 Michigan; Mrs. Kenneth Coon, route 1; William Ryder, route 2, Box 121.
Lawrence — Mrs. Clyde Rowlee, 325 West James.

Hope Fading

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The Indian government has given up all hope of finding survivors in airpockets in the flooded Chasna coal mine where 372 miners are trapped. "There are no such pockets," said Srinivasa Chari, the national coal secretary, as he returned Tuesday from the site in India's coal-rich northeast. "There cannot be any hope of survival."

Jobless Figures Mystify Expert

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of four columns about government employment figures.

By JOHN CUNIFF

AP Business Analyst
NEW YORK (AP) — For more than 20 years until early this year, said Alert Sindlinger, his market research company's independent survey of employment matched government figures to within one per cent.

Since April, Sindlinger & Co., which interviews 1,100 households a week by telephone, has found 1.5 million more jobless, using the official definition, than is currently being reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Because of this, Sindlinger has become an outspoken critic of the government's job figures, which in November showed 8.3 per cent of a 82,978,000-person labor force unemployed.

"The jobless rate should be much higher," he said. Using the government's own definition, that the person must be actively seeking work, it should have been over 9.2 per cent in November, he said.

By his own definition, "anyone who tells us they are out of work," the November jobless rate was 10.6 per cent.

"I'm baffled," he said, "in view of the fact that for two decades we were in almost complete agreement with the government figures. We've changed no definitions. We haven't changed our questions, ever."

Adding to the mystery, says Sindlinger, is that his survey is within one-half of one per cent agreement with the larger government figure, that for the total labor force. In November it was within one-tenth of one per cent agreement.

"Why should we go so far off on the smaller figure after two decades of almost total agreement?" Sindlinger asked pointedly.

He has examined and re-examined his figures, which are used by many scores of businessmen, government officials, economists and stock brokers. He insists the government owes the public an explanation.

Prof. Charles Killingsworth is another critic with solid credentials, earned mainly in academia and government service.

A university professor of economics and labor and industrial relations at Michigan State University, Killingsworth is also chairman of the National Manpower Policy Task Force, a group of mainly university people, funded in part by the Labor Department. During the Korean War he was chairman of the Wage Stabilization Board.

As a measure of economic performance, he says, the jobless figures are understated and misleading.

In 1965, he reports, the Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics began counting as employed those people in public works and college work-study programs, most of whom were earlier considered jobless or not members of the labor force.

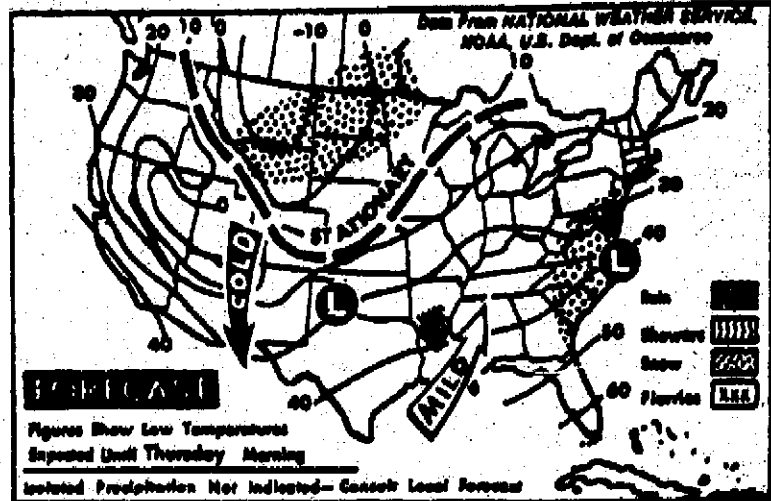
"Apply the same rationale, retroactively and it would reduce the unemployment count during the late 1930s by one-third," he said.

"When they started this new definition in 1965 they never publicly reported it," he said. "I stumbled across it. The majority of so-called experts are unaware."

What impact has it had? Killingsworth explains: A low figure in the Public Service Employment Program was reached in August 1974 at 33,000 people. A new program was begun and by July 1975 the number involved leaped to 315,000.

"All these people were counted as employed," he said. "When reports tell us we've had a growth in employment a substantial part is due to the Public Service Employment Program," he explained.

The College Work-Study Program also helped lower the



TODAY'S WEATHER MAP: Snow is forecast Wednesday from the Carolinas to southern New Jersey. Snow is also expected for much of the northern Plains. Cold weather is forecast for the West and mild weather for the Gulf but most of the nation will be seasonably cool. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Snow May Usher In New Year

Southwestern Lower Michigan — Cloudy tonight. Low mid 20s. Cloudy with chance of snow Thursday. High lower to mid 30s. Winds east to northeast five to 15 miles per hour this afternoon through Thursday. Probability of measurable precipitation 30 per cent Thursday.

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Highs, lows, sky conditions and precipitation at selected sites:

Memorial Hospital

ADMITTED
St. Joseph — Gloria K. Ishrochi, 3561 Knox street; Harold A. Smith, 1430 Hickory drive.
Benton Harbor — Charles L. Cobb, 1031 Connell court; Juan D. Jones, 124 Quince drive; Phillip R. Sax, 1549 Broadway; James H. Taylor, 1875 E. Empire avenue.
Baroda — Grover C. Shuler, route 1, Snow road.
Coloma — Betty J. Lewis, P.O. Box 225.
Dowagiac — Mrs. Keth A. Hand, route 7, Rainbow park.
Hartford — Mrs. Horace E. Williams, 410 North Center street.
Sawyer — James B. Graham, Jr., Box 386.
Waterliet — Anna E. Cupani, E. Baldwin.

BIRTHS
Benton Harbor — A boy, weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Romeo, 1745 Fairplain avenue, Tuesday at 5:45 a.m.
Baroda — A boy, weighing 10 pounds, 2 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald T. Arend, route 1, Box 312, Landon road, Tuesday at 11:33 p.m.
A girl, weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Neil C. Saxman, route 1, Box 122, Singer Lake road, Tuesday at 12:58 p.m.
Eau Claire — A boy, weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Babcock, route 1, Box 203, Tuesday at 6:38 p.m.

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Houghton, cldy 30 28	Houghton Lk. cldy 30 27
Jackson, cldy 38 25	Lansing, cldy 36 30
Marquette, cldy 29 27	Muskegon, cldy 36 28
Pellston, cldy 33 28	Saginaw, cldy 33 30
S.S. Marie, cldy 30 27	Traverse City, cldy 33 30

EXTENDED OUTLOOK
Chance of rain or snow Friday and Saturday. Mostly cloudy Sunday. Lows Friday and Saturday mostly 20s. Lows Sunday teens to lower 20s. Highs Friday 30s, gradually lowering to mid 20s to near 30 Sunday.

Berrien Divorces Granted

The following marriages have been dissolved by divorce decrees granted in Berrien Circuit court:

Byers, Kenneth of Eau Claire and Elaine. Married Jan. 18, 1974.
Cawgill, Sue of St. Joseph and Michael. Three children to the mother. Married May 20, 1972.
Bailey, Ronald, Jr. of Niles and Margaret. Two children to the mother. Married March 9, 1968.

Bryant, Lynn of St. Joseph and Donald, Jr. One child to the mother. Married Feb. 15, 1964.
Schultz, Ardy of Coloma and Louis. Married May 31, 1947.
Hadley, Alice of Coloma and Charles. Married Feb. 3, 1973.

King, Evelyn of Benton Harbor and Michael. One child to the mother. Married April 21, 1970.
Osby, Willie of Pipestone township and Florine. Married March, 1950.

Morris, Delores of Benton Harbor and Dennis. Two children to the mother. Married March 30, 1968.
Kerlikowske, Julia of St. Joseph and Erich. Married April 3, 1973.

Delaying Decision
JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel is withholding a final decision on whether to attend a U.N. Security Council debate Jan. 12 on the Middle East until Foreign Minister Yigal Alon completes talks with U.S. leaders in Washington, Israeli officials said today.

Mercy Hospital

ADMISSIONS
Patients

RENTALS

Furnished Homes 18

RENT OR SALE - Furn. or unfurn. Sister Lakes, 3 bdrms, new home, lake rights. Before 9 a.m. or after 8 p.m. 424-3416.

1 & 3 BDRM. FURN. HOMES FOR RENT - Till June 15, with or without uti. \$140 to \$250 mo. Sec. dep. & ref. req. Pets allowed with greater deposit. Phone Chris. Dunsmuir, 927-3386.

Unfurnished Homes 19

SMALL CLEAN 1 BEDROOM HOUSE - The Country, Ref. & Sec. Dep. Large garden spot if desired. 944-1934.

BRIDGMAN - 1 Bedroom, 5 room house. Carpet, stove, ref. Sec. dep. Ref. No. pets. Immed. occupancy. 428-3446.

Farms For Rent 22

FARM FOR RENT - 10 acres, 3 acres blueberries - 2 acres grapes. Phone 925-5818.

Wanted To Rent 25

WANTED TO RENT - Or rent with option to buy, 3 bdrms, in Coleman-Waterford area. Responsible family with ref. 983-2243 anytime.

ROOMS & BOARD

Rooms Without Board 27

CLEAN, COMFORTABLE - Room for gentleman. Downtown St. Joe. Phone 983-4027.

ROOM FOR RENT - Fairpoint. Includes TV, Ref. Req. Gentleman. Please reply to box 65 in care of this paper.

EMPLOYMENT

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WANTED - Starting January Retired or Semi-retired LPN available to live in with older couple. Wife is semi-invalid. Temporary. Please send resume, references and particulars to Box 62 of The Herald-Palladium.

VOCALIST WANTED - Rock band playing bars needs singer. Call 637-2812 or 837-2054 (So. Haven) for information.

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WAITRESS WANTED - APPLY IN PERSON. RED COCK, STEVENSVILLE.

RN'S - LPN's, 3-11 & 11-7 shifts. \$4.75 & \$5.50 starting, with exper. Shift & wkend diff. Tuition reimbursement. Spec. exp. allowance consideration. Community Hosp. 433-3111.

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WANTED NIGHT AUDITOR. Full Time. Apply in person. Snowflake Motel, 3822 Red Arrow Hwy. S.J.

WANTED PART TIME - Transcriber for Doctor's office. Knowledge of medical terms necessary. Reply to Box 66X in care of this paper.

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WANTED - Cook's Assistant. 10:30 am - 2:30 pm Daily. 5 days a week. Apply in Person. Simba's West. St. Joe.

JOBS-Sales 33

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WANTED TO BUY - Antique electric trains. Call 468-6480 after 5 p.m.

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SALE EVERY SUNDAY - 2 P.M. Open Saturday 10-4 for merchandise. (For truck service call 926-1771) TWIN CITY 465-7210, 465-7211. 465-7212. River-side. Across from Jaker's Club.

SHERIFF'S AUCTION - The following items will be auctioned off Sat. Jan. 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at 648 Columbus Ave., B.H. Black swivel rocker, black vinyl sofa with matching chair, one end table (walnut grain), one Admiral Stereo.

SAT. JAN. 3, 1976, at 10 a.m. Located 3 mi. so. of Berrien Springs on US-31. Allis Chalmers B-10 garden tractor, 10-inch Craftsman saw, Building supplies. Solid wood china cabinet. Household goods & Misc. Dinner Bell with post. Office Equip. Mr. & Mrs. Ed Schmidt. Owners.

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SMALL CLEAN 1 BEDROOM HOUSE - in the Country, Ref. & Sec. Dep. Large garden spot if desired. 944-1924.

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Farms For Rent 22

FARM FOR RENT - 16 acres, 3 acres blueberries - 2 acres farms. Phone 925-9818.

Wanted To Rent 25

WANTED TO RENT - Or rent with option to buy. 3 bedrooms, home in Columbia. Well equipped. Responsible family will rent. 923-2243 anytime.

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CLEAN, COMFORTABLE - Room for rent. Downtown St. Joe. Phone 983-4027.

ROOM FOR RENT - Fairly clean. Includes TV. Ref. Req. Gentlemen. Please reply to box 62 in care of this paper.

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WANTED - Starting January Retired or semi-retired L.P.N. available to live in with other couple. Wife is semi-invalid and needs nursing attention. Possibly temporary. Please send resume in confidence and particulars to Box 62 in care of The Herald-Palladium.

VOCALIST WANTED - Rock band playing bars needs singer. Call 637-2612 or 637-2054 (Mrs. Hovine) for information.

MAINTENANCE - HANDY MAN with some experience in air cond. & TV repairs. Apply in person only. RAMADA INN.

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APPLY IN PERSON - RED COACH, STEVENSVILLE.

PHYS - L.P.N.s, 311 & 117 SHILL, \$4.75 & \$5.30 starting, with exor. shift & weekend off. Tuition reimbursement, some exp. allowance, consideration. Community. 463-3111.

FULL & PART TIME HELP FOR DOCTOR'S OFFICE, CALL 445-9330.

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WANTED NIGHT AUDITOR, Full Time. Apply in person. Sheraton Hotel, 2822 Red Arrow Hwy. S.J.

WANTED PART TIME - Transcriber for doctor's office. Knowledge of medical terms necessary. Reply to Box 604 in care of this paper.

PHYS - L.P.N.s, 117 & 117 SHILL, Excellent working conditions. Wages & Benefits. Call 637-5147 for appt.

WANTED - Cook's Assistant, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm, 3 days a week. Apply in person. Simba W. St. Joe.

JOBS-Sales 33

OUR DEALERS MAKE \$5 PER HR. AND UP. If you like meeting people, have car & telephone call Fuller Brush Co. 983-2244 from 9 to 5 p.m.

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Wanted To Buy 66

WANTED TO BUY - Antique chairs. Call 460-4400 after 5 p.m.

LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE - will accept bids for lease or purchase of 1 or 2 new automobiles until 11 a.m. Jan. 8, 1976. Ph. 925-3771 ext. 239 for bid documents.

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AUCTION SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 1976 AT 10:00 A.M.

Come Early For The Drawing - Am moving to Florida, will sell Snow Shovel and all Personal Property listed below at our home located 3 miles South of Berrien Springs, Mich. on U.S. 31 corner of Long Lake Rd.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Solid Walnut China Cabinet & Buffet combination, like new. Norge 13 cu. ft. Refrigerator. 15 cu. ft. Chest type freezer. Elec. Stove. Wastek King portable Dish Washer. Walnut console stereo with radio, AM-FM radio. Double bed & dresser. Full size bed & 2 full dresser chests. Single Maple bed. Other beds. Early American Livingroom set with couch and matching chair. Magnavox Color Television. Room divider. Solid Maple Dining table with 5 matching chairs. Dehumidifier. Large Mirror. Several Pictures. 2 Resistant type tables. "DINNER BELL & POST". 2 Refrigerators. 4 Electric Stoves. Crock & Wood heating stove. LARGE Crock & Wood FURNACE. 3 Occasional Chairs. 2 Solid Wood Infant End Tables. Hanging Porch Swing. Royal Sweeper with attachments. Childs Locker. World Book encyclopedia. Imitation fireplace set. Redwood Picnic table. Folding tables. Plaques. Baby crib. 2 Play Pens. Other baby items. Lamps. Lawn Chairs. Some canned fruit & jars. 2 Bar-B-Q grills. Right hand Golf Clubs for men. Girls bicycle. Life Preservers. Christmas Lights and etc. Dishes, pots, pans and other misc. items.

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SALE EVERY SUNDAY - 2 P.M. Open Saturday 10-6 for merchandise. (For truck service call 924-1771) 7814 CITY AUCTION, corner of Paw Paw & Riverdale. Across from Jokers Club.

SHERIFF'S AUCTION - The following items will be auctioned on Sat. Jan. 3, at 10:00 a.m. of 546 Columbus Ave., B.H. Black swivel rocker, black vinyl sofa with matching chair, one table (walnut grain), one Admiral Stereo.

AUCTION CALENDAR

COMING SALES

SAT. JAN. 3, 1976 at 10 a.m. Located 3 mi. so. of Berrien Springs on US-31. Attila Chalmers B-10 tractor, 10-inch Craftsman lawnmower, 1971 City, walnut china cabinet. Household goods, & Misc. Dinner Bell with post. Office Equip. & Mrs. Ed. Schmidt, Owners.

SAT. FEB. 17, 1976 at 11:00 A.M. Located 10 mi. so. of Benton Harbor, John Deere 2620, Farmall Bn fork lift, Ford 860, Attila Chalmers B-10 tractor, GMC 2-ton truck & trailer, Dinosaur power pump. Excellent line of fruit & general farm tools. Mr. & Mrs. Peter Rudel, Owners.

When you have a sale that should be on this calendar write or call your FRIENDLY AUCTIONEER

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